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The Family and Religion

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I. IF THERE BE NO RELIGION IN THE FAMILY, THERE IS APT TO BE NO RELIGION ELSEWHERE.

THIS is true either in the state, or in the church, or in the school, or in the business world, or in the human heart. The most meaningful of all our social groups is the family. The home is the basic institution—the foundation which gives shape and stability to the superstructures of society. Decades ago Theodore L. Cuyler said what is still very true: "Nothing is so effective in fitting us for usefulness here and heaven hereafter as a pure, happy, Christ-lighted home"! The cheerful supper done, they round the ingle form a circle wide; they chant their artless notes in simple guise; they kneel to Heaven's Eternal King, and the cotter prays. "From scenes like these," wrote Robert Burns, "old Scotia's grandeur springs; that make her loved at home, revered abroad."

II. IF THERE IS TO BE RELIGION IN THE FAMILY, THERE MUST BE REAL RELIGION IN THE FAMILY!

"Pure, unsoiled religion"! No sham! No shoddy! No make-believe! No masquerading! "Damaged souls" are the boys and girls whose parents prate about religion, but live hypocritical and unholy lives! Lincoln said to a dissipated father who was lamenting the fact that his seventeen-year-old son was indulging in liquor: "Well, there is just one way to bring up a child in the way he should go, and that is to travel that way yourself." Seeing a child do mischief, Plato rebuked its parents. Thomas Carlyle was bitterly caustic of the English soldiery of his day: "100,000 red uniforms will never whip the French; there must be a man inside every one of them." And, 100,000 pious platitudes about religion will not make a family religious; there must be a man inside every utterance, a Christian inside all daily behavior. Grace Noll Crowell, so beautiful of life and pen, pleads with mothers—"Hannahs"—to "bring" their sons and daughters un-

to the temple of God's holy will. She would not be averse were fathers to aid mothers in the "bringing" of them.

"God, may there be more Hannahs
in our day;
More sons conceived in prayer, and
loaned to Thee
To serve the Church, or on the com-
mon way
Bear golden fruitage for eternity.
Unto the temple of Thy holy will
May mothers bring their sons and
daughters still."

III. FAMILY RELIGION HAS A TECHNIQUE OF ITS OWN.

A manner of performance! The technique of the piano or the violin is the way one uses the instrument, the mastery of performance. He who neglects to acquire and maintain instrumental technique, to him the piano and the violin refuse to unlock their rich treasuries of music. So our neglect of religion, our indifference to the manner of performance of religious acts, and our irregularity in the times of worship will silence the music of God within our homes.

One cannot neglect "the technique" of family love, without hurt to one's own affections and one's expression of them. Sir James Barrie, so human and so Scotch, wrote a one-act play: "The New Word". He describes a conversation between a Scotch father and his soldier-son, as the latter was about to depart for the world war. The father could not bear to let the lad go without telling him he loved him; such would be a "new word" on his reticent lips! He tried to tell his love, and his efforts are very humorous—yet tragic, and horribly embarrassing to himself and his son. He had never mastered the technique of family affection, and had lost the capacity to tell what his heart longed to speak!

Nor can "the technique" of married life be neglected without hurt to marital happiness. A decade and a half ago Irving Bacheller wrote and published a letter to his son, upon "The Secret of Happy Marriage". "I remember a time when we were newly married, and we went to visit my old mother. We were sitting together in the twilight of a summer day. I recall that my young wife said something that displeased me, and I made a thoughtless and impatient remark. Both of us were as sensitive as thoroughbred colts, and were hurt by what had been said. Then, as the light of day grew dim, my old mother and I were alone, and she talked to me of the gentle art of keeping step, of bearing and forbearing. 'Every day, at least once, I want you to think of this: what can I do to show her that I really love her? If you are ever angry with each other, don't speak, I beg of you, until the anger is passed.'" "'Every day, at least once, think; what can I do to show her that I really love her?'" "The gentle art of keeping step."

Nor can "the technique" of family religion be neglected without hurt to the religion of the family. Here, also, are "the gentle arts." What may they be? Family instruction: it begins at the cradle, it abides after mother's eventide. Family converse: "conversation is the laboratory and workship of the student"; and of the spirit and the character. Family grace at meals: simple sentences of

thankful recognition and daily dependence. Family worship: "where there is a will there is a way"; and a time; and there are books of prayers to dispel parental timidities. The family pew: regularity of attendance at the house of God, every member of the family in his or her place; if either the Sabbath School or the church service is to be omitted, let there be no absence from the hour of public worship. The family Sabbath: the day was "made for man"—for worship, and rest; for personal and family culture; and for the cultivation of the more intimate acquaintance with the members of our households. The family budget: the tithe of the family's earnings should be given back to the Lord, every member of the family sharing in the giving and being well informed about God's "tenth". The family's fun: we are apt to smile when we draw mental pictures of dignified Doctor G. Campbell Morgan down on the family floor, playing marbles with his children; he may have lost the games, but he wooed and won his children. "If these things"—these "gentle arts", these "techniques of religion" —"be in us and abound, they make us to be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

The young folks are quick to sense that true religion is being omitted in their homes. Some thoughtful day they may be critical of parental neglect. Lincoln Steffens, journalist and philosopher, had a son Pete. The lad told childish lies. The lying distressed the boy's mother. She chided Pete, and remonstrated with his father. Steffens did not fancy either correcting or rebuking his son; rather, he taught Pete a teasing song, to the annoyance of the boy's mother: "Pete and Papa are wonderful; mamma and Anna (the maid) are absurd". Upon every provocation, Pete and Papa marched through the house, singing their teasing song to mother and Anna. One morning Pete hurried into his father's study shouting: "I just killed a bear"! Pete was a bit dashed to hear Steffen shout back: "That is wonderful! I just killed ten bears!"; adding, "Come on Pete, let's go and tell mamma"! Off they went together, singing their song. They told their bear stories to mamma. "Oh! go away"! answered she; "You are both liars, and I do not think it's a bit funny". We took hands, said Steffen: we bear killers and liars; and slunk away, singing our song, and sat down on the front steps. Pete was silent for some time. Then his words came very deliberately: "Daddy, Pete and Papa are not wonderful!" "No?" "Mamma is wonderful! Pete and Papa are absurd"! No! No! It is "no longer funny", our laughing of family religion out of vogue! The "Pete" who lies is not "wonderful", but a potential menace of tomorrow! The "Papa" who neglects the spiritual life of his boy and smothers his dereliction in levity about his over-religious boyhood and prates about the unfairness of prejudicing a youthful mind favorably toward any religion, he is "absurd"—more so than the devil himself, for early and late he sows the most tender hearts with the seeds of evil. "Mamma is wonderful"; she knows the Life, and points the way.

A banker of Pittsburgh and his wife had built for themselves and

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Christ Comes to the Home

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"Lord thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations" (Ps. 90:1). *"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."* (Ps. 91:1).

HOME, dwelling place, abode, habitation and words of like meaning are found throughout the Scriptures, Much instruction concerning God as our Father and heaven as our home is presented to us by means of our earthly fathers and homes. Trust, obedience, authority, dependence, love, protection —are common to the vocabularies of both earthly and heavenly home relationships. In fact, this parallel not only helps to clarify our thinking about "Our Father's House" and the "Many Mansions" but it elevates the status of the common home to an uncommon level.

CHRIST DWELLS IN THE HOME

Christ came into the world that he might show us what God is like; what God is; what God's plan for the world is. But that is not all. Christ came into the *homes* of men. "The Word became flesh and *dwelt* among us." Christ's coming also showed men the possibilities for their own lives when properly related to the Father and in harmony with his will. He taught by precept and example. And while he often addressed large crowds, he made some of his most vital contacts in small home groups. Let us look into some of the homes of Palestine with which Jesus had personal contacts in order, if possible, to find help in the solution of some of the problems of the modern home.

In Nazareth there was a home; in connection with it a carpenter's shop, a means of livelihood for the family; a father and a mother, sons and daughters. Jesus, as the oldest son in this family sets us a splendid example. What does the Scripture say? "He was subject unto his parents." That is a brief statement but full of meaning. It tells us that he recognized an authority in the home. It tells us of respect for parents. It tells us of co-operation with other members of the family for the good of the whole group.

Passing over the intermediate events of Jesus' life to the closing scene on the cross—that deep concern for his mother will always be dear to the hearts of all parents.

The word "obedience", though so distasteful to many, should not be omitted from this discussion. It is a good word and brings good results. For how can young people be expected to learn obedience to the laws of the state and to the laws of our God unless they have first learned obedience in the home? Jesus was subject to the laws of the state and he said, "I do always the will of my Father".

CHRIST SANCTIFIES THE HOME

Jesus' presence in the home at Cana and his participation in the wedding feast, have given to marriage a sanctity which should make men and women pause and prayerfully search their own hearts before entering into this contract. If the homes of America today would let Christ in, instead of leaving him

knocking at the door, how differently would the records of our divorce courts read!

Closely related to marriage is the subject of Christ's attitude toward children. Who among us does not love the picture of the Saviour blessing little children? But we cannot bask in the sunshine of that picture without recalling also what he said about the "millstone" and causing "one of these little ones to stumble". And when religious leaders speak of the neglected children in American homes, they are not confining their thoughts to the homes of the slums. Ignorance of the basic facts of Jesus' life is so appalling as to make one wonder what the parenthood of America has been doing. Busy here and there, no doubt, but neglectful of the one great God-given task of bringing up their children in the knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Christ went into the homes of Palestine with a blessing suited to the need of each. With Levi, the tax-collector, he mingled with sinners (so called by the Pharisees). And why not? He came to call such to repentance and eternal life. The home of Peter at Capernaum became a clinic where people came in great crowds to Jesus for healing. Look into that home at Bethany where Jesus was a frequent visitor. How they welcomed him! How they longed for his presence! We like to think of the Bethany cottage as one of his adopted homes. To his friends there he brought instruction, inspiration, yes, and gentle reproof also. In that home we have a picture of peace, rest and love. It was a "house by the side of the road" where Jesus could rest.

CHRIST GIVES COMFORT IN THE HOME

Another group of home incidents shows forth the compassion of Jesus to a marked degree. Let us follow him to the home of Jairus, accompanied by Peter, James and John, and hear him say, "Damsel, I say unto thee, arise!" Or go to the village of Nain and watch there, a funeral procession, an only son of a widow borne to the place of burial. The compassionate heart of our Lord was touched with the grief, the abject sorrow, of the poor mother. To her he said, "Weep not!" Then he restored the son to his mother. This compassion of Jesus was not restricted to Jewish homes. The Syro-Phoenician woman besought him on behalf of her demon-possessed daughter; the centurion on behalf of his servant, and Jesus responded to their requests. Our High Priest is touched with a feeling for our infirmities; he suffers over our sin. To weeping mothers and sorrowing fathers he could gladly say, "Weep not". But he must be given a place in our homes, in our lives, before he can enter into our experiences. He will not intrude, but if he is invited, he will come in and sup with us.

CHRIST TEACHES IN THE HOME

Jesus has been called "The Great Teacher". In Luke 14:1-24 we have a notable picture of him as a teacher in a home. A "ruler of the Pharisees" had invited Jesus to a dinner. Some were watching him with a view to criticism. They received sound instruction and strong correction on certain matters, such as: a proper observance and conception of the Sabbath Day; a lesson on humility ver-

sus self exaltation; a lesson on true hospitality (entertain those who cannot repay you). The wonderful thing about all this is that we have these same privileges. We can have him as our guest teacher at the tables of America. In his life on earth Jesus could visit only a limited number of homes; but the Bible record is open to all who will read, the Holy Spirit is a willing interpreter; and Christ is a living presence in every home where his presence is desired, his word read and his principles accepted. Think again through the great "Vine Chapter" (John 15) and learn anew what is implied in that word *"Abide"*.

When Jesus needed a place where he and his disciples could observe the Passover feast, he sent messengers ahead to secure the guest chamber in a certain home. We do not know whose home this was. That is not important. What is important is the fact that the room was available. Read again chapters 13-17 of John's gospel to discover the teaching of Jesus at that last meeting in the "Upper Room", the institution of the "Lord's Supper" in the home of this unknown host, the discourses concerning his "going away", the story of the vine and the branches, the blessed promise of "The Comforter", and the note of assurance and victory in it all. Then remember these things took place, not in the temple nor in a synagogue, but in a home.

It is natural that prayer should accompany these discourses in the guest room of the home. Pouring out his soul to the Father, whose will he was doing, he prayed for the disciples and for all of us who believe on him through their preaching. What a glorious thing that a home could be dedicated to such a mission! He wants to come into the guest chambers of our homes today. Are they available?

CHRIST BLESSES THE HOME

Because of its importance today, it seems imperative that reference should be made to the incident in the home at Emmaus (Luke 24). Christ had walked and talked with these two, and yet they had not recognized him. But they asked him to abide with them. It was only at the breaking of bread and the blessing that accompanied it, that their eyes were opened and they knew it was the Master.

Children in the home where there is a real meal-time blessing and family worship, grow naturally into the conception of Jesus as Saviour, and are more easily led to an acceptance of him as Lord and Master. Religious training in the Church—yes; in the day school — excellent! But nothing can take the place of religious training in the home. Some one has said, "Jesus' entire theology may be described as the transfiguration of the home".

Of George Washington it was said that Providence left him childless that his country might call him "father". Of our Saviour might it not be said that Providence left him homeless ("The Son of Man hath not where to lay his head") that he might enter the homes of all lands and peoples?

"The Church in Their House"

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THE Home was the first institution ordained by God for the happiness and well being of man. The Christian home is founded on the recognition of God and obedience to His law and presupposes a united head, one in purpose and sympathy and cooperating in the carrying out of that purpose.

This recognition of God should lead to spoken thanks for His care and provision at every meal and the family altar where the word of God is reverently read and the daily needs of each member of the family are presented to the Heavenly Father. It is possible to make these observances so cold and formal that young people are repelled and may be given the idea that God is a terrible autocratic being to be feared rather than loved, but is also possible to make them opportunities to teach children that God is a loving Father interested in all their problems and willing to help in every time of need. It is possible, too, to allow trivial things to interfere with family worship so frequently that the children may be led to regard it as a matter of small importance and its influence will be lost for them. Too soon they may go out to face the temptations of the world. Is it a small thing that they carry with them the knowledge that they are remembered at the family altar every day and have the assurance that God hears the prayers of faithful parents?

PARENTAL VOWS

Pity the child who has never heard his parents' voice in prayer, for him and for the needs of the world. We who have presented our children before the church for baptism have assumed some very solemn obligations for them and one of the most solemn, as well as one of the most precious privileges of parenthood, is our promise to pray with and for them. If the family altars of our church which have fallen down might all be rebuilt, what a wonderful revival we should see and how our hearts would rejoice over the young lives saved for the Kingdom. "Better that thou shouldst not vow, than that thou shouldst vow and not pay," but better yet to vow and by God's help keep our vows.

EARLY IMPRESSIONS

The religious education of a child may be begun very early and by quite natural means. The songs of the church make just as soothing lullabies as Mother Goose jingles, and Bible stories can be just as thrilling to childish ears as Jack the Giant Killer, or his more modern and gruesome successors, and they plant in young hearts seeds which will flower in later life. A knowledge of God's word is the best foundation upon which to build an education for the life grounded on its truths is not easily led astray by unorthodox teaching.

Lessons in Sabbath observance can also be given very early by making the day one set apart. Toys which have been kept for this special day may be provided for the little tots and Bible stories and pictures may take the place of books enjoyed on other days. Certainly the "Sunday pa-

per" with its pages of silly "funnies" can have no place in the program of a Christian family. Above all the Sabbath should be made a happy day —one looked forward to through all the week. It is a time when the father can enter into the family life as he may not have opportunity to do at any other time, and when freed from other responsibilities, he may enjoy his family's companionship to the full. Aside from the time spent by parents and children in the public worship of God's house there is no more precious time for the Christian family than the hours of God's day when about the table or at the family altar they humbly acknowledge their dependence upon God's care and commit themselves to His keeping.

But as the years pass I am more and more led to believe that though religious instruction is necessary and the forms of worship cannot be omitted there is nothing so powerful in the building of the characters of our children as the *atmosphere* of the home.

I have been in a home where it was a family custom to nickname every person who had a peculiarity or handicap and his misfortunes were mimicked and ridiculed. The whole air of the home was one of mockery —and it was supposedly a Christian home. Some homes give an impression of cynicism and faultfinding not only with the members of the home but with every one who comes in contact with it. Sometimes it is a desire to "keep up with the Joneses" that robs our homes of content and tranquillity. Ambition is a good thing if rightly directed but wrongly indulged can bring only unhappiness. Upon the mother depends largely the task of creating a wholesome atmosphere in our homes. An immaculate house, a well spread table, and neatly dressed children are all desirable, but if they are obtained at the price of an overworked and irritable mother the price is too high. The home may be plain, the meals simple, and opportunities for social enjoyments limited but if the home life centers around a loving, happy mother who has time for her children's problems and can find the silver lining to every dark cloud, there will be happiness and contentment there and "Godliness with contentment is great gain."

OUR EVEN SONG

Lord Christ, beneath Thy starry dome
We light this flickering light of home,
And where bewildering shadows throng
Uplift our prayer and even song.

Dost Thou, with heaven in Thy ken,
Seek still a dwelling place with men,
Wandering the world in ceaseless quest?
Oh! Man of Nazareth, be our Guest!

David Henderson.

The Outgoings of the Home

By THE REVEREND C. J. WILLIAMSON, D.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

"THE home nations are the enduring nations." Of course! For the home is the source of the strength or of the weakness of the nation, and of the church. Homes are the springs in the mountains from which the streams of civilization flow. Sir James Barrie said at Glasgow, "Scotland has not four universities, but five. The greatest of these is the poor, proud homes from which you come." The church, the school, the library, the factory, the hospital, each at the beginning had its origin in the home.

But it is in the realm of character that the hearthstone is most influential. Carlyle said, "Scotland has the poorest constitution and the best government of any nation on earth", and he laid that fact to the character developed in the Scottish homes where the Bible was the center of the family life. Psychiatrists trace the mental difficulties of a man or woman of today to some maladjustment in the childhood home. A child is open to impressions as never afterward, and what is received here goes in deep and stays until the end. In "Clari, the Maid of Milan", played in London in 1823, with the libretto by John Howard Payne, was one haunting melody that would not die. It was called "Home Sweet Home." And what is "The Old Oaken Bucket" but the modern version of David's longing for the water from the well of Bethlehem? How deeply the scenes in the home in Nazareth impressed themselves on the memory of Jesus, and how they came out in His teaching—, the lamp and the bushel, the broom and the coin, the leaven and the loaf, sewing a piece of cloth as a patch on an old garment, the salt in the kitchen, the unruly chicks by the door!

A CHANGING ATMOSPHERE

Is it any wonder that there are wild theories and vagaries in America now that never would have taken root here a generation or two ago? Can they not be traced to the differences in our home life? No man will go out to defend with his life the sanctity of a boarding-house. The real home life of a former day can scarcely be expected among the cliff-dwellers in a modern apartment house. Even if the California climate were accountable for all the miracles attributed to it by the aborigines and proselytes of the state, the wonders wrought on human minds by the atmosphere of youthful years are a hundred times more marvelous. When to the members of a family the house where they live is little more than what a stable is to a horse, merely a place to stay, with nothing of the atmosphere of love, instruction, obedience, religion, can the children who grow to adult life there be expected to have sane, normal attitudes of mind toward moral or economic problems?

Modern advertisements to the contrary notwithstanding, it requires more than a certain kind of heater, furniture, rugs, to make a home. Home is a spirit, an ideal, or it is only a house. The main purpose of a home is not to raise healthy physical animals; it is also to develop growth in strength and beauty of

character, and where that fails both church and state soon reveal the weakness.

ADVERSE FORCES

In this day a home does not come by chance; it has to be fought for in a battle that has no breathing spells. Our day tends to self-indulgence, restlessness, morbid desire for constant change, diseased nerves, disregard for moral values, insatiable lust for amusement. More is needed to counteract this tendency than the mating and amiable goodwill of congenial dispositions. Outside atmosphere presses on our bodies with a weight of fifteen pounds to the square inch, and if it were not for the reacting pressure from within we should all be crushed. The pressure of the ideals of our day, or their lack, presses on all within our home with terrific force, and where so pathetically little is done in so many homes to create in the minds of youth a moral and religious resistance, the hazardous condition both of the church and the state is hardly a matter for wonder.

A minister in the church is greatly handicapped without the help of parents in the home; and careless, Godless homes form an obstacle hard for the church to overcome. Where the parents are indifferent to religion, the children are careless of attendance at church, and even when they do come their defective training shows up at every point. How many religious cripples the church has to carry as a result of home failure, so that it has to become a hospital for invalids instead of a conquering army of the Lord. So often the faults to which the world takes exception in church members are due, not to the incompetency of the church, but to the fact that, brought up in homes of the world, so many members are little better than baptized heathen after conversion.

GOD'S WAY FOR LIFE

How may home-makers be certain that the outgoings of their homes will be strengthening to the church and to the nation? Make sure that the constant atmosphere of the home shall give a strong bias, at least, toward God's way for a human life. When Robert Moffatt left home his mother made him promise that he would begin and end every day with God. A mother writing to her son, an earnest young man, said, "When they placed you in my arms and I gave you my first mother kiss, I breathed a prayer, an earnest prayer, for you. I asked God that He would make you, not a rich man, not a great man, but that He would make you a good man. If you become that you will be what, most of all, I want in you." How could the great missionary have kept his promise, and how could that young man fulfil his mother's prayer, unless the very spirit of their homes had breathed into them the sense of God's constant presence? How many of us would have been able to keep in the way of God's will if we had not known that every day, from the family altar and in the private devotions of our parents, we were being carried to God on the wings of prayer? The family altar, the blessing at the table, the evidence in every way that God is being taken into account in all the affairs of the home,—how deep the influence on the minds of the children! But what

of the child who has never heard his father or mother pray for him?

But the whole religious atmosphere of the home must be shot through with the atmosphere of naturalness and good cheer. If religious matters are mentioned only with bated breath, prayer spoken of in an unnatural tone and with long face, the Sabbath made a day of constant "Don'ts", and Sabbath School and church attendance urged as a duty rather than a privilege, then the whole desired effect is lost.

Real religion, however, includes training of the soul in its relationship with other souls. Respect for authority must be learned in the home, or it is rarely learned, and most juvenile delinquency may be traced to the weakness of parents in not requiring obedience from their children because it was hard.

That a child may grow into a dependable man or woman there must be regular and definite tasks assigned and expected of accomplishment through the years of childhood. A parent is guilty of cruel wrong to his own flesh and blood if he fails to drill his little ones in the discipline of assigned work.

Hard though it may be where there is only one child, yet even that one child must be taught at home, if any place, the supreme art of getting along with others, respecting the rights of others, playing every game according to the rules, learning the lesson of unselfishness and helpfulness. How few modern children are ever taught that they, as well as their parents, owe a responsibility for making the home a real home! A daughter in her late teens was asked if she would be at home that evening, and she replied, "Why should I be? I am perfectly well!" It is painful to see children brought up in selfishness and idleness, too indolent or selfish to assume their part in the home duties and life. How can they ever be helpful citizens or members of the church?

A LOT OF LOVE

In a summer conference of young people, a girl from a home where every member of the family had his or her part to play in the activities of the home was asked if it were not hard on them to fulfil all their duties at home with so many outside demands on their time, and she replied, "Well, there has to be a lot of love mixed in with it all!" "There is a strong swirl of the wind in today's life that acts like suction upon the home, sucking out the sweet, rich heart, and leaving only the outer shell, the place", and if the outgoings of the home for the church and the nation are to be what they must be to keep both church and nation alive, there must be a strong, planned resistance to the swirl by a current inside the home, a current of LOVE, love for God and love for man.

Our Children Face Life

By MRS. CHALMERS J. SIVITER

A Paper Read Before the Mother's and Teacher's Club of the Sixth United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh.

THE first question that comes in the religious training of our children is, "When shall we begin?" A woman asked a great religious educator, "How early can I begin the religious training of my child?" "Madam, when will your child be born?" he replied. "Born!" she gasped, "Why, he's already five years old!" "My goodness, woman," he cried, "don't stand here talking to me! Hurry home, already you've lost the best five years!"

Our children very early teach us two things: First, that they will point us the way if we are alert enough to understand; and, second, that certain experiences that we have together are the beginning of religious training. For instance, the bedtime hour is probably the most intimate hour of the day that we have with our children. On going to bed a child is apt to be thoughtful.

TEACHING OF GOD BY PRAYER

Here is the opportunity to teach your child to pray. We must avoid the danger of prayer becoming a certain group of words. If your child is young, perhaps it is permissible to read to him the prayers of childhood —"Now I lay me down to sleep"—or this less familiar one:

"At the close of every day,
Lord, to Thee I kneel and pray.
Look upon Thy little child,
Look in love and mercy mild.
O forgive and wash away
All my naughtiness this day.
When I sleep and when I wake,
Bless me for my Saviour's sake.
Amen."

We must make it plain to children —(and of course understand fully ourselves)—that there are different kinds of prayer, meditation of God, thanksgiving, personal petition, and intercessions for others. At mealtime we emphasize the prayer of thanksgiving. Once in a while the child should be asked to say grace. Perhaps it will be words of his own thinking, or perhaps a favorite one that he has learned. Robert Louis Stevenson wrote one:

"It is very nice to think
The world is full of meat and drink,
With little children saying grace
In every Christian kind of place."

One of the happiest of all relationships is companionship with an understanding father. This tie makes it natural to help our children to pray to their heavenly Father. One of the most successful fathers I know gives an unusual Christmas gift to his one son. This present has paid dividends of happiness both to father and son. Each day the busy father gives one-half hour of his time to his boy. The boy chooses what shall be done with the 30 minutes.

TEACHING OF GOD BY STORIES OF JESUS

New trends in religion seem to face us parents of today with the question

of what to do about teaching religion to our children. Are we going to leave it entirely to the Sabbath school? The task is largely ours, it seems, and we must decide what we are going to do about it.

From stories of Jesus children can be taught the best characteristics for which we all should strive. You may begin with simple stories of Jesus' wonderful acts of kindness. Do not keep these stories for Sabbath, let it be a part of your ordinary talking with your child. The first impression we should make upon our child is that Jesus was a very real and very kind Man. He was never too busy nor too tired to attend to anyone who really needed help; He never took any money for what He did, and furthermore He did it all for love.

Give your child the desire to do overwhelming good for those that are in need. Teach him first of all to be thoroughly unselfish. Through the Parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus, who fully understood the power of the story, teaches us the beauty of being merciful in a way that countless "thou shalts" could not have done. The story of the Feeding of the Five Thousand has a great appeal to a child. The little boy in the story started for the day's adventure with a lunch his mother had prepared for him. He followed the crowd. He watched Jesus going about and helping the sick, the lame and the blind. He heard His voice. Then he was able to help too, by sharing his lunch which his mother had given him. Later that evening he had a wonderful story to tell his mother as they sat in the evening hour together, just the same as your child might do with you today.

Jesus' birth story is best recorded by Luke, a physician, and there are many pictures to help him make it real. In a Bible reader there is a lovely story, "The Boy of Nazareth." Here we see the boy Jesus living in a small white house with Mary and Joseph and Jesus' brothers and sisters. We discover what His home was like, how he learned, helped and played, as any child would. He afterward helped Joseph to make tables and chairs, and this constructive act appeals to a child.

Birthdays are a delight to little children, as a time of happiness and special attention. It is quite natural to talk about the birthday of the baby Jesus, who grew to be a young man who wanted to make everybody happy, and who told us so much about God, our heavenly Father. We learn that Jesus was so loving and kind that to honor Him we celebrate His birthday by making other people happy with our love and our gifts. All parents are confronted with commercialism and high-pressure salesmanship. So we find we must guard against the danger of making Christmas a pagan celebration. It is so easy to forget the religious significance with so many distractions to crowd it out at the time.

Perhaps all we can hope to give our child is a background of love and respect for Jesus that will later lead to the understanding that Jesus is present with us today and that everyone may have a share in His abiding love and friendship.

Perhaps the real joy in our child's religious training is the resulting companionship in growing together and understanding these beautiful things.

TEACHING OF GOD BY NATURE

It is difficult to cause a young child to understand how Jesus can be both God and man, for we have no very successful way of conveying to the child a mental picture of God who is a Spirit. But we can tell a child that God makes things grow, and so from Nature learn much of God. In the midst of the struggle and strife all about us there is to the mind's eye and the understanding heart a world of beauty and gladness that inspires us to say with the Psalmist of old, "O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He hath done marvelous things!" We believe it is the inherent right of every child to be taught to seek this beauty, and with each new discovery to experience a feeling of gratitude to God who made these things beautiful. The delight in beholding a lovely sunset or a beautiful flower should be accompanied by a religious experience.

The story is told of a wise father who each day took his small son to view the sunset across the lake. Their conversations were of noble topics; and the father yearned for the son to get the same religious experiences from the beauty of nature that he did. One day the boy saw the sunset at a new and unusual angle and was really startled by its beauty. "O Father," he cried, "isn't it beautiful!" "No," replied the father, "it is God, my boy." This young man was Millet, who later became one of the best painters of the beauty of God.

Each new season brings us opportunities to teach our children about God. In winter we have the world cloaked in snow and in feeding the hungry birds we appreciate the goodness of our Father who

"Gives the bird a coat of feather
To protect it from the weather,
Gives the children home and food—
Let us thank Him—God IS good!"

In spring through nature the pathway leads straight to God as the Creator of all new life and loveliness. Easter represents new life after the winter's barrenness. Each bird becomes a loved friend who gives joy by his song, his flight and his gay coat. When the birds are building their nest and the eggs are laid, "How do the little birds come from the eggs?" is a frank question that ought to be answered frankly. "It takes a father and mother bird," you will say, "to make a nest, a home, just as it takes mother and father to make our home. The mother-bird lays the eggs in the nest; they come from a little sack in her body. She keeps the eggs warm by covering them carefully with her feathers, and when the little birds have grown enough inside the egg so that they can live outside, they then peck the shell until it breaks to let them out. The little birds grow rapidly because the mother and father birds feed them by bringing their daily food to them. The wonderful care of the parent birds and the wonderful provision of God for the life of each sparrow are comparable to His loving care for us, His children.

At this time of the year (autumn) we can keep a caterpillar in a room for the spinning of a cocoon, mysterious objects to watch during the winter until the spring day when the stir of life is visible in them. Fortunate the child who has the opportun-

nity of watching the emergence, from the moment the wet, bedraggled object crawls out of the opening in the cocoon till with wings of exquisite tissue it flits about the room. "The wonder of the child passes words." He will watch it, feed it with drops of sweetened water, and by and by he will be glad to open the window and let it disappear into the freedom and sunshine of the out-of-doors. It is a symbol which unconsciously brings us the meaning of the transformation of life.

Some people do not appreciate fully that God is out-of-doors. I marvel at them! He is everywhere, so He is in dusks, dawns, twilights, noons.

"God is here! I hear His voice
While thrushes make the wood rejoice;
I touch His robe each time I place
My hand against a pansy's face;
I breathe His breath if I but pass
Verbenas trailing through the grass!
God is here! From every tree
His leafy fingers beckon me!"

Dr. Meyers in his book, "Teaching Religion," says: "A person who has learned to appreciate the gorgeous beauty of the sky, field and water; who rejoices in a great work of art or literature; who is thrilled by a noble deed, is rich indeed. It is difficult for him to become coarse or vulgar. And if in this appreciation he has been trained to see God, the creator of this beauty, he has for himself a perpetual source of religious refreshment and strength."

TEACHING OF GOD BY EXAMPLE

There are two ways in which religious teaching can be given to children, by example of the lives of those who surround them, and by direct and explicit teaching by word of mouth. Of the two ways in which teaching is accomplished the example of our lives is the more important. It is the earliest line of approach and it will create a very deep and lasting impression. Furthermore, it is effective most often because it is given quite unconsciously. Long before your child is able to understand the words you use, he is unconsciously learning what he is to you and what you are to him. Impressions of what love is are being created in his mind. Because these impressions are unconsciously produced they will stick deep in him. It will always be so.

Every day your child learns from what you are more than from your words. He will get a conception of goodness because you are good to him and to other people; a conception of love because you unceasingly love one another; of truth because you are unfailingly truthful; of kindness of speech because your words and tones are never harsh; of constancy because you always keep your promise; and of consideration for others because he sees this also in you.

WRONG TEACHING OF GOD

Never teach a child as being religiously true anything he will have to unlearn later. If he asks you a question and you do not know the answer, say you do not know. It is far better to admit you do not know than to frame up an answer that he may later

find untrue or inadequate. Be careful of the words you use.

EACH GENERATION A NEW PROBLEM

We are repeatedly made aware of religious misunderstandings between the older and the younger generations, and of mistaken ideas about religion inherited from home and schools. The difficulties are of long standing. They go back to early impressions which have become second nature and usually involve a great deal of emotion. We cannot give an A-B-C list of truths that can be taught children by rote. There are, however, certain principles which govern the attempt to pass religion on from one generation to another, and these principles are all important. For life, like a game, is conducted within certain limits which can be defined.

It is part of common sense to accept from the outset the fact that relationship between parent and child is one of tension. Don't get panicky when the next generation begins to dissent from you. The next generation may be wrong in detail and yet right in principle. Youth is under bond, somehow or other, to win the right to its own life. You cannot permanently evade the moment when the next generation is going to come to you and say, "Give me the portion of goods that falleth to me." The tension of that moment is very great. You may well prepare to meet it by giving wisely and generously at first, instead of grudgingly at last.

And so, in conclusion, we believe that religion should be caught before it can be taught—and thus we homemakers should strive to create an atmosphere which makes our house really and truly a home, and our family a pleasant buoyant fellowship!—*The United Presbyterian.*

THE FAMILY AND RELIGION

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their children a lovely home. Devout Christians, they gave its every room to the Lord Jesus. Parents, children, neighbors shared in a very unique and meaningful evening of song and prayer. Their introductory hymn of consecration is beautiful:

"O happy home, where Thou art loved the dearest,
Thou loving Friend, and Saviour of the race,
And where among the guests there never cometh
One who can hold such high and honored place.

"O happy home, where each one serves thee, lowly,
Whatever his appointed work may be,
Till every common task seems great and holy,
When it is done, O Lord, as unto Thee.

"O happy home, where thou art not forgotten
When joy is overflowing, full and free;
O happy home, where every wounded spirit,
Is brought, Physician, Comforter, to thee." Amen.

Suggested Devotional Service

For Program Study on "The Christian Home"

By (MRS. C. W.) ELSIE WEHLING FULTON

Devotional Theme for Year Beginning April, 1940: GREAT ASSURANCES.

APRIL: Assurance Concerning Our Heavenly Home.—II Cor. 5:1.

Opening Song: Bible Songs Hymnal No. 53.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 24.

Scripture Lesson: (Use music of B. S. H. No. 265 as a musical background). John 14:1-6; II Cor. 5:1; Rev. 3:21; 7:9-17; 21:1, 2, 22-24; 22:10-14.

Leader: There are many things about which we very much wish to know more than at present is known. One of these is the future home, the eternal home of God's people. Knowledge is acquired by us in various ways. It is, for example, acquired by observation, by experience, by receiving instruction, and by Divine revelation. The knowledge we at present have of the future home and state of the soul is acquired by the Divine revelation in God's Word. Jesus spoke of the heavenly home as a house of many mansions. He said to His disciples: "I go to prepare a place for you * * * that where I am, there ye may be also." Paul said: We know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." On this great assurance we may confidently rest and patiently await the time "when we shall know even as we are known."

"O Paradise! O Paradise!
I want to sin no more;
I want to be as pure on earth
As on thy spotless shore;
Where loyal hearts and true
Stand ever in the light,
All rapture through and through,
In God's most holy sight.

"Lord Jesus, Light of Paradise,
Shine on my whole life long,
In all earth's din cause me to hear
Faint fragments of that song,
Where loyal hearts and true
Stand ever in the light,
All rapture through and through,
In God's most holy sight."

Song: B. S. H. No. 86.

Prayer: (In unison). Use words of B. S. H. No. 47.

Poem: "Home and Heaven."

"With the same letter heaven and home begin,
And the words dwell together in the mind;
For they, who would a home in heaven win,
Must first a heaven in home begin to find.
Be happy here, yet with a humble soul
That looks for perfect happiness in heaven;
For what thou hast is earnest of the whole
Which to the faithful shall at last be given.
As once the patriarch, in a vision blessed,
Saw the swift angels hastening to and fro,
And the lone spot whereon he lay to rest
Became to him the gate of heaven below;
So may to thee, when life itself is done,
Thy home on earth and heaven above be one."

Prayer: For Christian homes everywhere, and for homes everywhere that they may become Christian. (See 11, 30 Days in the Prayer Cycle).

Closing Song: B. S. H. No. 98.

Council of Women for Home Missions

By MRS. WILLIAM S. COOK, Secretary of Home Missions

THE Secretary of Home Missions was privileged to attend the annual meeting of the above named organization, held in Indianapolis, Indiana, January 12-16. The two Councils of Home Missions met at the same time and place.

Executive sessions were held separately, but prior to the adjournment for lunch, each day, all met together for the devotional period. This meeting was outstanding in that the two supervisors of Migrant work were present—Mrs. Shotwell of the Pacific Coast, and Miss Helen White, of the middle west area, from the Gulf to Minnesota. In the twenty years since the Migrant work was undertaken by the Council, the number of cooperating denominations has increased from eight to eighteen. And the number of projects from three in two states, to sixty in fourteen states. A special appropriation by the Rosenberg Foundation made possible four nursery schools in the Cotton Camps in the San Joaquin Valley, Calif. There are three hundred thousand Migrants in California, thirty-five thousand in Arizona, and fifty thousand in Washington, and Oregon. In addition to these there are in the middle west area, two hundred thousand in Louisiana, six thousand in Minnesota and other thousands in between.

Work among the oyster shuckers in New Jersey, and bean pickers in Florida, follows immediately work in New Jersey cranberry areas. The packing house work in Florida, is a twenty-four hour service, as it continues day and night. The children must be kept in the community centers, often not seeing their parents for three weeks. All these look to the church to solve their social, economical and spiritual needs.

This meeting was also outstanding in having three of the religious work directors, from five of the government Indian Schools. The work of these Directors includes leadership in the Bible Schools, church services, prayer groups and Bible classes.

Reports from four of the five schools show a total enrollment of 2,950 students of whom 1,600 are Protestant.

The director of Haskell Institute, Kansas, has been asked to assume responsibility for all the extra-curricular student activities. A most interesting summer's work was carried on by the director of the Albuquerque School in New Mexico. Under his direction an Indian Young People's Conference in the Navajo language, was sponsored, and about half of the sessions were in the Navajo language. Later a Navajo Gospel Team, accompanied by the Director, held reservation evangelistic meetings. In a twelve-day period, traveling about one thousand miles, these young people reached audiences of about two thousand. All speakers were Navajos and all meetings were in that language. This tribe had always said "Christianity is the white man's religion".

The plight of the Sharecroppers, was brought very forcibly to our attention as was also that of the Refugees, which has become, not so much a refugee problem, as an immigra-

tion problem, which will be permanent. A special committee presented a resolution "That a permanent Refugee Committee be set up by the Councils, at once." These recommendations will appear later in the Magazine.

The following "Patterns on Service Rendered to Refugees" are recommended:

1. Giving an affidavit of support to a Refugee to make entrance into this country possible.
2. Help in the support of a refugee until he becomes able to support himself.
3. Studying possibility of self-support of refugees through their introduction of a new industry.
4. Discovery of refugees who have come into the community and are in need of Christian neighborliness.
5. Becoming a Christian friend to a refugee or a family. This means to help orient them into a new life. Friendly calls on refugees; invitations to our homes and churches are often greatly appreciated.
6. Entertaining refugees in your homes until permanent places have been found for them. Many witness to the fact that in thus entertaining strangers, they have entertained angels unawares.
7. Love, Love, Love,
   Toward the Jewish people,
   Toward all who suffer:
   Toward those who create suffering.

Love alone can change the world.

Women from the various Indianapolis churches, served tea, at the close of the afternoon session, each day, on the mezzanine floor of the Severin Hotel where all sessions were held, except the Missionary Mass meeting, Sabbath evening in the First Baptist Church, when Bishop Francis J. McConnell spoke on "Home Missions and World Mindedness".

Members of the two Councils spoke in the Indianapolis churches in the morning.

The women of the various churches sponsored a breakfast in the Hotel on Saturday morning, and also a luncheon on the last day of the meeting, thus giving an opportunity to get acquainted, and also to learn of the many advantages of a mid-western city.

It is a coincidence that in this 20th year of the Migrant work "Shifting Populations" is to be the home mission study theme for the churches across the country.

HOME MISSIONS AND HUMAN NEED—Confronting the challenge, the national boards are preparing to make a new advance to meet the obstacles that ever arise in human crisis. They seek to recapture the fearless aggressiveness of the Christian Church, and rekindle the fire of the pioneer spirit of religion, to meet needs of the new masses of dispossessed and disinherited people. Home Missions is Christianity in action. It is in particular an attempt to make Christianity available to the needy sections of the country.—*From Report of Home Missions Annual Convention.*

Minute on the Death of W. B. Anderson, D. D., LL. D.

THE Board of Directors of The Women's General Missionary Society, deeply saddened by the death of Dr. W. B. Anderson, adopted the following minute at its regular meeting held on February 6, 1940:

One of the truly great ministers and missionaries of our time has come to the end of a devoted and distinguished career in the passing of William Brainan Anderson, D.D., LL.D., on January 6, 1940, at his home in Philadelphia, Penna. "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?"

The guidance and direction which Dr. Anderson gave to the missionary cause of our Church remains clear and distinct. He was in fact in advance of the thinking of his day, and we shall doubtless see the fulfilment of his prophecies and plans for the missionary activities abroad. His special gifts of able leadership and sound judgment gave him a rightly deserved place in directing the Church in carrying out the Great Commission in foreign lands.

Dr. Anderson's inspiring devotion to his Lord, his sincere love for His Word, and the clear and simple interpretation he gave of The Word in worship services, conferences, and other meetings of the Church, endeared him to all who heard him, and inspired in them a deeper devotion for things spiritual.

As members of the Woman's Board, we attest to his great loyalty to his Master, his devotion to the missionary cause, and to his sincere friendship, his genial personality, and his kindly interest in his coworkers and their problems. We "have loved long since and lost a-while" a beloved, earnest, sincere Christian gentleman, but we have been inspired and enriched by his life of service to his Lord.

To the sorrowing members of Dr. Anderson's family and of the Board of Foreign Missions so sadly bereaved of a wise counselor and friend, we extend our sincere sympathy.

Mrs. Arthur B. McBride,
Mrs. O. H. Milligan,
Mrs. Charles W. Fulton,
Committee.

THE SHIELD OF ST. PATRICK

"Christ for my guardianship today.
Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me.
Christ above me, Christ under me,
Christ to the right of me, Christ to the left of me;
Christ in lying down, Christ in rising up;
Christ in the heart of every one who thinks of me;
Christ in every mouth which may speak of me;
Christ in every ear which may hear me."

Henrietta Moore -- An Appreciation

By MISS HAZEL BENNETT, On Furlough, Pittsburgh, Pa.

MISS Henrietta Moore went to India in 1898, and for more than forty years she poured out her life in India's behalf, working in schools and cities and districts among women, and children. She cared for many widows and orphans. Time and again she assumed the support of a whole family of orphaned children, never laying down the burden until they were safely cared for in homes of their own. Scores of India's people today mourn Miss Moore as "mother" and "grandmother."

It was my privilege to know Miss Moore for many years. Her zeal and devotion and the light on her face were often an inspiration to me. A few years ago we both had to spend a number of weeks in Sialkot Hospital at the same time. In those days I learned some of the deep things of her heart and came to understand more fully her devotion to the cause of Christ in India. While we were in the hospital the many Indian people who came to see her, received a genuine welcome. She delighted in talking with them and in helping them to bear their burdens. She loved to play with children and to surprise them with little gifts. When she was about to leave India, people came from many places, often far distant, to have one last talk and prayer with her before they said farewell.

When I first went to Gujranwala I heard of the work Miss Moore had done there some years before. For a time she labored with Miss Mukerjee in the Girls' School. In addition to their service for girls the two of them did much for new converts and for Hindu widows. In the Sialkot District where she did splendid work she had a great influence as she gave her loving sympathy and help to the oppressed village Christians. Later Abbottabad

Miss Henrietta Moore

was her home and sphere of influence in the school and among the city women. The big unevangelized Muslim district was much in her prayers. In Pathankot City and District where she worked later, the hilly roads, or rather the lack of them, in that mountainous area were hard on her frail body but she went steadily forward bearing in her hand an uplifted torch.

Perhaps the hardest trial Miss Moore ever had to face in India was to be willing to accept the advice of friends and physician and come to America. This cost her much but she accepted what was so evidently God's will for her. She had but a few short months near those of her own family and her old friends here, when God took her home.

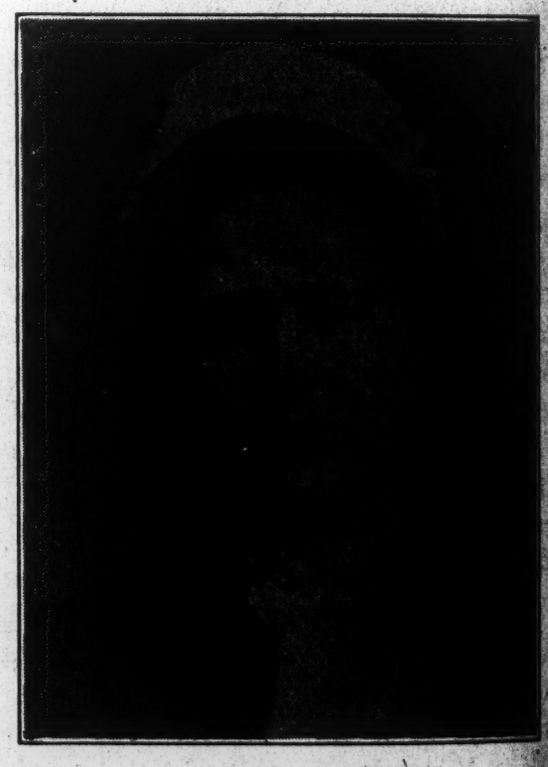
Titled Missionary Helpers

THERE came to the Mission in Cairo in 1864 a royal visitor, His Highness the Maharajah Dulep Singh, an exiled prince of India. One day in visiting the school he caught a glimpse of a lovely girl, Bamba. He fell in love with her. He was a Christian and wanted a Christian wife. Within a short time they were married. The wedding trip was taken on the *Ibis* which is still a messenger of the Gospel in Egypt.

H. H. Price Duleep Singh.

H. H. Princess Bamba.

Lord Aberdeen.



Lady Aberdeen.

In all this wonderful life that opened up to Bamba she "did not seem to lose any of the graces of her Christian character, and the love which she showed for her Bible, and conversation on religious themes knit the heart of the Prince every day in still closer affection for her."

The Prince gave the Mission a Thank Offering of $5000, in appreciation of his lovely bride. Annually he made a large gift on the anniversary of their marriage continuing this for many years. Dr. Andrew Watson in The American Mission in Egypt in writing of this romance of actual life says: "Just when the Mission was in great straits for funds to carry on work, just when doors were opening in all directions inviting the occupation of the land for Christ and His Kingdom, the Lord brought about this union and put into the treasury a sum sufficient to blot out the debt and provide the means for supporting two additional missionaries for an indefinite time."

Lord and Lady Aberdeen, who went to Egypt for health reasons in the early sixties gave help to the mission work. They were particularly interested in the distribution of Bibles. Lord Aberdeen spent much time going up and down the Nile holding meetings in towns and villages.

In 1878 when the life of Ahmed, a Muslim convert, was threatened, Lord and Lady Aberdeen took him home with them to Scotland, kept him at the University of Edinburgh until he had taken his M.D. degree, all expenses met by the noble earl. Because it was not advisable for Ahmed to return to Egypt he went to China as a missionary.

Lord Radstock

During the World War Lord Radstock went to Egypt in Y.M.C.A. work among the British troops. He remained for several years to help in mission work in Egypt. People were greatly impressed by the fact that a man privileged to sit in the British Parliament should be a preacher of the Gospel of Christ. He counted it the greatest joy of his life to serve in this humble way.

The Khayatt School for Girls

ASSIUT, EGYPT

THIS school was opened in 1865, by Dr. Hogg and Miss McKown. During the first year eleven little girls were enrolled, and fourteen during the second year. In 1874 the missionaries were eager to take advantage of the willingness of a few parents from the village to allow their little girls to become boarders, so a small boarding school was opened. In 1877 the Mission found it impossible to keep up both schools, so decided to close the original day school, feeling that a boarding school is always more effective in its influence than a day school.

When Wasef Khayatt, Dr. Hogg's warm personal friend and the first church member of Assiut, heard of the proposal, he offered to take over the school. He asked for Mission superintendence, and from that time until the present the Khayatt family has not only financed the school, but has also carried it on their hearts in love and interest. Mrs. Nasuf Bey Wissa is now the sponsor and supporter of this school and Miss Davida Finney is the Superintendent. At present the school has an enrollment of about 400, with a primary department and three years of the secondary course of study. Last year it accepted Government inspection in order to be placed on the Government list of accredited schools. During 1937-38 it was fortunate enough to secure the services of Miss Grace Nadig of Temple University, who made a special study of the local situations and the adaptation of scientific principles of sanitary diet, and allied subjects to the needs of the Egyptian family. Miss Nadig produced three books written from the point of view of conditions in Egypt, on "Food," "Sewing" and "Home Making." Her contribution to the education of girls is a large one.

THE MINIA EVANGELICAL GIRLS SCHOOL

The second Church Minia opened a school for girls about 30 years ago. In 1927 the pastor and the school committee requested the Mission to assign a missionary to the superintendence of the school. For several years the school has been under Government inspection and receives an annual grant in aid from the Ministry. The Church is entirely responsible for the finance of that school. During the last seven years the Church has built an apartment for resident teachers on the third floor of the school, which houses at present eight teachers. Three additional school rooms have been built and extensive improvements both in and outside the school building. The present enrollment is over 300.

THE FAGGAH SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS

A similar arrangement was made between the Mission and the (Cairo) church. The Mission assigns a missionary, and the church finances the school. The personal interest of pastor and school Committee has been a great encouragement and joy to the missionary in charge.

Good News from Far Countries

The Sudan

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THE GIFFEN RURAL WELFARE CENTER

By MR. J. P. McKNIGHT
On Furlough, Allentown, Pa.

As reported previously the Mission in the Sudan closed the Giffen School of Agriculture in April, 1938. This became necessary as neither the budget nor the staff was adequate to continue it. After studying the situation it was decided that work should be undertaken among the farmers in the villages of Gereif. So a new type of work was planned. It has been designated the "Giffen Rural Center." This is the first attempt to establish work for the evangelism of the people of the rural villages of the North Sudan. Formerly work has been in the cities and in suburban centers.

It was natural to open this work at Gereif as the Mission farm and buildings there are a great asset in such an undertaking. And of equal value are the openings we have in Gereif and the great numbers of friendships established during the fourteen years we operated the Giffen School of Agriculture. But we sincerely hope that as soon as the work is firmly established in the Gereif villages that we can open a modified form of it in other groups of villages.

The purpose of this Mission Rural Welfare Work is to bring to the people of the villages the message of Christ through every contact possible, and to improve the living conditions, the homes, the health, the farming, the educational facilities and the economic level of the community by a program of self help. The people of Gereif are not poor as Sudanese go. One farmer has been buying half-acre bits to add to his little farm and has been paying for them at the rate of $250 per acre out of the income from his farm. No doubt this man has exceptional financial ability but it is obvious that improvement of Gereif community fails from lack of vision and lack of experience and training in cooperative giving and planning rather than from lack of money.

A NEW PLAN

As there were no schools in Gereif the most advantageous opening for our new community work was the establishment of Elementary schools. In November, 1938, a boys' day school was opened. The new school costs only a fraction of the cost of the Giffen School of Agriculture as

At the Door of the Clinic. The Government provides drugs, expenses and a trained clinic man.

the latter was Boarding School, High School, and Vocational School. The new school is day school, grade school and agricultural, but non-technical. In charge of this school is a young man, Shukri Girgis. Shukri is of an Egyptian family domiciled on a farm in Dongola. He was fortunate in that he had his grade school work, his religious education and character building in the Boys' Home, Omdurman. In Agriculture he had two and one-half years at the Giffen School of Agriculture, just before it closed. And after that he enrolled for a special short course in pedagogy at the Government Teacher Training College at Bukt Er Roda. With Shukri works a young Sudanese Christian.

Two months after the school was opened fifty small boys had enrolled. Shukri, with uncommon patience and thoroughness, makes an excellent teacher for these beginners who come from illiterate homes. At the Government Training School he was instructed in new methods of teaching Arithmetic and Arabic language. And how the little boys enjoy playing store in Arithmetic class! On a board like a portable blackboard a number of simple articles are suspended on hooks. And near each article the price is marked in millemes (copper coins one-half cent in value). Ordinarily this board is turned away from the class. But when it is to be used it is turned toward the class. One boy is appointed storekeeper and one purchaser. The purchaser is given a piaster (worth five cents) with a value of ten millemes. The purchaser then goes to the store, chooses two articles and pays in his piaster. The storekeeper gives him the articles chosen and the change due him. And what innovations were seen in Arabic Reading lessons! Instead of the usual droning over the written or printed lesson a number of methods were used. Colored chalk on the blackboard, plywood with words written in glue or gum and covered with sand which the pupils felt over with their finger tips, flash cards, and for further diversion, boys sent outside to write the new word on the ground with their finger tips.

This year during our furlough Shukri and Abraham Zeidan, the second teacher, are conducting this school. Mr. Finley visits it whenever he can. In August Mrs. Adair wrote:

"I rode out to Gereif with Miss McKnight and Miss Pillow but felt quite lost with the house all closed and the place so quiet. I sat for a bit in the boys' school and was much pleased with the class Shukri teaches. His methods are very good and he holds the boys' interest while he leads them step by step to the right conclusions."

And in November Mr. Finley wrote:

"The school at Gereif, or rather the schools, are getting along splendidly. Shukri and Ibrahim were in last Sabbath and seemed in good spirits. They think there will be about thirty new boys in January and if that is the case the school will have about all it can hold and by another year

School boys at Gereif writing words in the sand. This method makes a real game for them.

we shall have to make arrangements for a new teacher and more room. I think we shall have to get a few benches and desks before the first of January."

This winter the pupils have little garden plots. And they are actually selling vegetables and from the income they are buying equipment for their school.

NOW THE GIRLS

The second step in our new program was the opening of a girls' school. In Gereif there are over seven hundred homes and among all these people there is said to be only one woman who can read and *not a single girl was in school.* This past autumn a girls' school was opened. The following has just come from Miss McClellan of Khartoum North:

"Twenty-four girls are now attending school regularly at Gereif. They were demanding visible results of sewing and six are now making dresses. Towheeda and Naima (the teachers in the girls' school) are both very good at sewing but they think the girls are very poor. The little ones are making dolls and dresses. The girls can use the Bukt Er Roda method in arithmetic and think it great. I do too. They have taught Bible from the first. I think dramatizing would be useful."

A night school for adult education has been operated for a year. No recent reports have come to us indicating the interest in, or profit, from this effort. Another community project was the building of a three-room clinic and a residence for the man in charge of the clinic. For this project the Government provides the running expense in the form of drugs and the salary of the man who dispenses them. The community is required to build and maintain the clinic and residence. This clinic affords no opportunity for evangelistic work as the man in charge is a Government servant. But it administers admirably to the health needs of the community. And how fine it is to have these physical needs met so that the Mission staff can be freed for the most pressing of all needs—the spiritual.

A DEPUTATIONAL ITINERARY

By MRS. PAUL SMITH, Nasir, The Sudan

As you probably know, I was asked by the Foreign Board to do Deputation work in October in Kansas Synod along with Rev. Colvin, of India.

I was not very eager to undertake this work. It was new to me. I had never done anything of that nature before. But I felt it my duty to do what I was asked to do, so of course went to Kansas at the appointed time and started my itinerary.

It did not take me many days to find that duty was going to be and already was being mixed with a great deal of pleasure. I was making so many new friends. It was a great privilege to get acquainted with the

The Untaught Girls of the Sudan. In this group not one girl was in school. Now they will have a chance.

pastors and their wives and to understand in a measure some of the problems that they have to meet. As I write I think with a thrill of happiness of the many people I met in each congregation and especially of those many in whose homes I was a guest at one time or another during my trip. I am sure that they will pray for me and for my work and for my people more earnestly than they ever have before.

Do you know, I think the thing that surprised me most was to find in practically every congregation relatives or intimate friends of our missionaries? I should not have been so surprised because I know that quite a few of our Sudan missionaries have come from Kansas Synod and I found that there are also quite a number in Egypt and India as well who belong to this Synod.

I also met again a number of old friends. I had not realized just at first that I would get to see so many college friends and other friends made during later years.

I believe I understand in a measure now one reason why our United Presbyterian church ranks so high among the denominations in its Missionary Stewardship. *People just do give of their means to work that they know intimately.*

I had a letter from Miss Soule the other day. She told me that Mr. Janson-Smith, one of our British school inspectors for the South Sudan, visited Nasir in November. He was much pleased with the way our little girls are reading. I was very happy to hear this, because it isn't easy even yet, to keep the girls coming regularly to school. Miss Soule has quite a bit of literature put out by Dr. Carver. Mr. Janson-Smith saw some of this and is so enthusiastic about a number of the pamphlets, that he has sent for some of them. Enclosed in her letter was a letter to me, written in English by our eleven-year-old orphan, Reet Lengdit. It is a letter of which no eleven-year-old child would need to be ashamed, whether American or Nuer.

India

MRS. R. R. STEWART, Editor, Rawalpindi, India

IN THE LAND OF STONE IMAGES

A WAYSIDE CONVERSION

By MISS VIVIAN TRIMBLE

Two Missionary ladies and their Indian girl helpers were walking single file across a field on a path along a thorn hedge not far from some thatched roofs they had seen from a distance. One of the missionaries said to the other, "Look, there is one of those little stone images, thrown out there under the hedge."

"What! one like yours which you got out here in this district?"

"Yes, but this one has only the image of a woman cut on it and mine had both a man and a woman."

"How was it you got yours?"

"I got mine from the Muslim, who was the watchman on the Mission compound at M———. He had been having some trouble with some Hindu neighbors. One evening as he was coming past one of the Hindu worshiping places made of stone and earth built up around a sacred peepul tree, he saw this little stone image leaning up against the trunk of the tree. He decided he would get ahead of his Hindu enemies by stealing this stone image. So this Muslim carried the image to his home and hid it up on the ledge of the wall under the thatched roof. Some weeks later when the Muslim saw our Christian cook, he asked his advice as to how to get rid of the image because one calamity right after another had befallen him and his family since he had

stolen the idol hidden in his house. He was afraid to take it back to its place under the peepul tree and afraid to bury it but was determined to get rid of it by some hook or crook. The cook said he would tell his Miss Sahiba and perhaps she could suggest something. And of course I did for I was pleased to get one to take with me on furlough to show the friends at home. So with great relief the watchman brought me the image tied up in paper."

"And did the Muslim's luck change after he got rid of the image?"

"Yes, the next time I saw him he came running and bowing to tell how grateful he was that I had taken the image. That since it was gone from their house, they had a son born and he was sure it would have been a girl if he had kept the idol."

"Seeing this image lying here and hearing this other tale, makes me think of that time over at G———— when we came across that man getting ready to worship that snake image."

"I remember I asked him what he was doing and he said couldn't we see he was preparing to worship?"

"Yes, and you then and there preached him a sermon on worshipping the true God through our Saviour Jesus Christ, and the man was so interested that when you showed him a New Testament portion and said it told about real worship, he bought it."

"I don't believe we see as many of these little stone images as we did a few years ago. Do you remember my telling you about that year when so many of the thatched roofs were burned by enemies?"

"Oh, yes, the winter you saw so many of the roofless and deserted houses with the stone images, peacock feathers, etc., all just left out in the weather in the niches in the walls?"

"And when I asked why they left them there instead of moving them along into their temporary houses with the sheet-iron roofs, they said, 'Why should we move them and take care of them or bow down before them? What did they do for us? Didn't they let our enemies burn our roofs, instead of saving us from this calamity'?"

"Yes, and now seeing this stone thrown out under the hedge today, it really does look as if they are discarding their idols."

"Let us hope and pray that they may now turn to Christ and be His faithful followers."

NEWS NOTES

The Annual Meeting was the swiftest meeting I ever remember. The locations went through quickly and without difficulty. There was very special prayer before the assignments were read and there were very few people to locate.

Most of the Rawalpindi people were late for the opening meeting because at the time we were having Dr. Stanley Jones for special meetings at the College. The men always preach the sermons at our Annual Meeting but the women lead in devotional services every day just before the business meetings and they give to us some of the very finest services we have. The fellowship of the communion together is the mountain-top experience for each one of us. You cannot know how much we appreciate the quiet of that service as we come apart from the usual pressing duties in our stations.

There were no children there this year except the Foster children who live just across the garden from our meeting place.

Laura Reynolds drove up from Bombay in her car and arrived in time for the last meeting. She had come on a freight boat with a small party of missionaries of the Methodist Church, including Bishop Pickett. She came alone but had arranged with John Taylor of another Mission to come the same route and stop at the same places, as far as

Delhi, where he turned off to his own station.

Did you know that Ralph (R. R. Stewart, Ph. D.*), and I trekked to Nanga Parbat this past summer? I had nearly 50 days on horseback. Ralph walked until he got a sore foot then he had to ride. He had a fine horse—slow but sure. It never stumbled, so he could ride over the most dangerous places where I got off and walked. Once I saw him calmly sit on that horse while it slid down over a frozen waterfall 20 or more feet high. The owner of the nag eased it over holding on to its tail while he held on to the birch logs frozen into the ice. This was in August.

Nanga Parbat is over 26,600 feet high. We did not climb it, we just collected plants and seeds on the lower slopes. Below the wood line we had bonfires, above the wood line we lay at night and shivered and hoped for morning. But it was a gorgeous trip! *Isabelle (Mrs. R. R.) Stewart.*

*(People have remarked that Bishop Pickett and Stanley Jones and Dr. R. R. Stewart all look much alike. Dr. Stewart has made a great contribution to the world's knowledge of flowers and plants discovered in India. He is the author of books and has been decorated by the Government for "Distinguished Service." Dr. Stewart is as distinguished in his field as are the other notable men. (Editor The Womens Missionary Magazine).

Egypt

MRS. EWING M. BAILEY, Editor, Minia, Egypt

A SHORT-TERMER'S IMPRESSION OF EGYPT

By JANET HAMILTON

I had my first view of Egypt from the deck of the Excalibur as it pulled into the harbour of Alexandria. From there Egypt didn't appear to me to be a particularly interesting or exciting country. The white buildings one after the other seemed a little monotonous. When our boat docked and the Egyptian porters were allowed on board to take off the baggage, they began yelling at each other in such loud voices and the noise and confusion was so great that I felt a little dazed by it all.

As I drove through the streets, it seemed almost as if I were in a dream; I had never seen such queer sights before. On either side of the narrow street were open shops full of strangely dressed people. Vendors selling cakes, fruits, baked sweet potatoes, sugar cane and other articles filled the street. A walking butcher shop with the meat hanging from hooks was pushed along by its owner. Whenever I walk through the streets of Egypt I always see something new and interesting that I have never seen before.

Egypt is a land of strange contrasts. One sees here a mud hovel built beside a lovely home. Modern automobiles go honking past the slower moving camels and donkeys. Men and women dressed in the latest Paris fashions walk down the street with veiled women, and men dressed in long gowns and turbans.

Egypt is full of colour with its bright birds, flowers and green fields. In the evening when the setting sun tones down its vivid colours to pastels, this land seems almost unreal in its beauty. It thrills me to realize that I am here in such an interesting and beautiful country.

THE DELTA CAR

By MRS. W. T. MOORE, Tanta, Egypt

This little home on wheels was made possible some years ago, by a gift from the late Mrs. W. L. McClenahan. Miss Baden and Miss Saneeya were starting out to visit villages from it for a month and I was going

for a week. At the appointed time our car was fastened to a freight train and left the main station in Tanta.

This car was built to run on the narrow gauge R. R. so the furnishings are compact and collapsible and the occupants must move by turns and in orderly fashion. The tracks circle around the town so after one half hour we were still within ten minutes walk of the hospital. As we were bumped along the order was soon disturbed. We were laying out our lunch on a tiny folding table when the one who was standing cutting bread went staggering with the knife high in the air, another bent over the lower cupboard, sat down on the floor suddenly. The dishes were behind side boards and the big stone jars of filtered water sat firmly.

This R. R. goes through many villages not reached by the state R. R. We passed 12 where there is no mission worker at all, before we reached our first goal, a large town where we have a school of 200 and a Bible woman whom we found before dark. We went to her room the next morning. Our schedule arranged, we started out and had not gone far when we heard a woman say, "There are four of them and not even one pretty." We called in homes all forenoon, then resumed our journey according to the freight train schedule. The Bible woman lunched and traveled with us to a big town where she goes for work once a week. We passed through a Beduoin village and nine others where we gave a gospel to every station master.

At 5 o'clock we reached our destination where Miss Paden planned to stay 10 days. We were put on to a siding between a corn field and a muddy canal. Station men welcomed us; the fireman from an engine came and shook hands. What mattered if his hands were black? All children who had heard that the "Salon" had arrived, came and hung on to the car watching every move. Women pumped water from the station pump and carried it in oil tins to fill our little tank for household use. The boys discussed why we did not go to the canal to wash the dishes and clothes. The conclusion was that we must not care to be clean. When the men teachers of the mission school heard from the boys that we had arrived they came running. We served them hot tea though they were dripping with perspiration. We promised to meet them at the school in the morning so that they could give us a list of houses to visit and a wife to act as guide.

The school equipment was very meagre. A few crude desks and high uncomfortable benches, but it was a beacon of light and truth in the town and a blessing to its 200 pupils. We were welcomed at the houses partly because of our predecessors. I had spent a week there with Miss Minnehaha Finney in 1930 and at that time Dr. Howard Boyd came out every night and held meetings for men after our meetings for women. His memory is honored and the women still hope that Miss Finney will return to them. Wherever we found a former patient of our Tanta Hospital we had a wide open door. One of them had her neighbours leave their sifting and wheat cleaning, and gather to hear us (the neighbors' pigeons came too). In another house the women brushed off vegetables, chickens and kittens to make a place on the bench for us to sit. Their hospitality and readiness to stop all work and listen to the word is a lesson to the hurrying west. Our first duty was to inquire for the health of the family. One woman was suffering from an infected thumb and had it tied up with grape leaves. I insisted she get some hot water in which to soak it but she said she would listen to the reading first.

A poor boy suffering from T. B., begged to be admitted to the hospital; a lame girl lying on the floor in a dark passage gave us an opening for a Bible story. A little girl visited us in the car daily for several days and finally asked us to visit her mother.

On arriving at the house we were ushered upstairs to a room where a man lay sick of fever. The girl was the daughter of a former wife and she and his present wife were tending him. They served us pomegranite in a bowl of lime juice, which we ate with long handled spoons. In a Coptic house we were led through a path lined with huge sacks of cotton.

Upstairs the lady of the house met us clad in lace and entertained us in a room gaily painted with naked angels, which, however, brought her no peace. She had confiscated the cotton from her renters, demanding $55 an acre. Men lurked around at night with guns and she was too nervous to listen to the reading.

In another house an old woman cried out her confession of how she had wronged another. The power of the Word! Would that it would move all who hear. During a meeting in the courtyard of the school a big goose came and looked over the edge of the roof and quacked at intervals but no one heeded it.

One bright girl visited us and took us to her home. Her mother is a delightful woman but kept in by her husband and not even allowed to visit her own mother who lives only three minutes walk from her. If she goes out at all she must be heavily veiled and ride in a closed carriage.

Dr. Moore and three of the nurses from the Hospital drove out in the automobile to take me home. We started at the beautiful hour of sunset—a time that always calls forth our exclamations of praise; across bridges, where a number of sail boats with their graceful white sails lay huddled near, past fields, green with luxuriant crops, through villages and more villages and back to Tanta Hospital, after a happy week of adventuring in the byways of Egypt.

AN EGYPTIAN TITHER

By MISS HELEN DOORDEWIER

Yesterday, when attending the women's meeting at the church, I heard our pastor use an illustration of the joyful results of tithing that was very good, I thought. He told a story about Sheik A———. He said that at the last Middle-Egypt Presbytery meeting held in January, when the treasurer reported a deficit of fourteen pounds, Sheik A——— said, "We do not want to report a deficit in the Lord's treasury," and promptly paid the fourteen pounds. All present were astounded that he was able to do this. Later he told something about his idea of giving which explained much. He said he used to be a poor watchman, earning a pound and a half a month. But from the time he earned this he always gave the tithe. Slowly on he climbed up to more important positions till he became an agent of the man whose watchman he had been. Then he started in cultivating some land and the Lord mightily prospered him. All the time, however, he was very careful in giving the tithe. He explained the secret of his joy in giving and of the Lord's blessing him.

The President's Page

This is the month when our thoughts turn to records and blanks. We must make a report of the year's work in all our church organizations. If each woman in the church, individually, has done her best the report from her Society will be the best that Society has ever had.

If the officers of the local societies are faithful and prompt in reporting to their Presbyterial Society, it will go on the honor roll. After the Presbyterial officers have sent in their reports, the general secretaries can compile the grand summary, to give before the delegates to the Women's General Missionary Society, which will meet *this year* in Santa Ana, California—June 14-18.

The final report starts with the faithful women in the local societies. Perhaps the effort put forth by these women, will be determined by their attitude toward the church and their interest in its Missionary work. If they think of Christ as the Head of the church and His command as imperative, all their service to the church and the cause of Missions will be a service to Him and will be performed with joy and satisfaction, and to the very best of their ability. Our best is the least we should do for Him, who gave His all for us.

In Colossians 3:23 Paul the Apostle writes: "Whatsoever you do, work heartily, as unto the Lord and not unto men." Work in the church is much easier if we keep in mind that it is for the Lord Christ and not for men. A fine Christian woman, who was repeatedly being asked to do hard tasks in the church, replied, when she was reminded of the seeming imposition, that anything she did for the church, she did for her Lord and Master and she knew He would help her. This attitude on her part, made her tasks easy and she had the satisfaction that comes to those who work heartily unto the Lord.

Our theme for this year is "Service for Christ," "for ye serve the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:24. May this text inspire us to do our best whether we are officers or just members of the Missionary Society. Every hard task will be dignified and made sweeter by the thought of being done for Him and the most humble work will be done with the zeal and thoroughness that His service demands.

In the words of George Eliot, "humblest service done by willing and discerning souls was glory."

Mrs. John W. Bickett,
President of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Editorial

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MISS HENRIETTA MOORE

Miss Henrietta Moore has been called home. A long ride over Rawalpindi with Miss Moore and Dr. Emmett Altar will ever be a cherished memory. She was very frail and not equal to her usual tasks at the time, but she was so eager that her visitor should see her India. In that afternoon there was revealed her deep devotion to the women of India. From other lips came testimonies of their love for her.

There will be sad hearts in India when the word reaches them, for even though absent from them her messages were often sent to cheer. With true Oriental appreciation little groups will sit together to talk of her. They will speak of the time Miss Moore was here; the time she went on that trip; the time she was ill; the time she had a tea for them; the time she gave such wonderful lessons on this or that subject. Her words will long be remembered and quoted; the little gifts she sent will be kept sacred. Nothing will be omitted as they talk of this dear friend and teacher, who gave forty years of love to them that they might know the love of God through Jesus Christ.

MY BIBLE

In sorting over some books recently, I came across a little Bible. It is about three and half inches by five inches in dimensions. The type is small, the red color on the edges of the leaves has almost faded out, the little clasp that held it shut is broken; some leaves are gone. On one of the white pages in the beautiful Spencerian hand that my Father wrote are the words: "Presented to Anna for committing to memory the Shorter Catechism, By her Parents." Then a text of Scripture.

The date is there. My father was a teacher; he should have known that no child of my age should have been committing to memory those difficult words. Perhaps they did not know much about child psychology in those days. Probably all the teachers were wrong. I did not understand the words—and cannot fathom many of them yet but the words have remained in mind.

In later years when I was compelled to commit to memory the Shorter Catechism in Arabic, the English words were always conveniently in the background, and even though turned around a bit were a help. That was a wrong method, too. I should have been doing my thinking in Arabic. Even though the methods were wrong the words still stick persistently, the meaning keeps unfolding, and the definitions are often convenient when one wants a clear statement of belief.

The Catechism was recited every Sabbath afternoon at home and this was continued until all the younger members of the family could qualify and receive their Bibles.

In our Sabbath School Classes a great deal of stress was laid on memorizing Scripture—verses and whole chapters. We have advanced in educational methods and in church and Sabbath School organization, but I must confess that at this time I cannot recall a single statement that a teacher ever made in any class in my youth, yet the verses underlined throughout my little Bible are as fresh in my mind as they were in my childhood.

I for one pay tribute to the old-fashioned home where parents took religious instruction of their children seriously where the family worship was as regular as the meals, where parents tried to obey God's command, "These words which I command thee this day shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children."

THE PROGRAM FOR 1940-1941

The Programs for Missionary Societies for the coming year are as fresh as the morning paper. The subjects for study deal with live problems of the church which are being discussed all over the country and around the world, not by the church alone but by educators, social workers and politicians.

On a short train trip recently I had two daily papers to read. What rather surprised me was that so many of the subjects on our program were discussed in those two papers. There was a whole column describing the proposed plan for giving credits in school for Bible study in the church school. Here was another long article "Spiritual Teaching Essential: Home and Church must maintain Partnership." That is what we are presenting—and in a much better way—in this Magazine.

A columnist gives his views on "Lottery Seen a New Way of Raising Taxes," condemning it because it hits the poor people.

There was the usual automobile accident: Report—"Drunken Driving." Then a legal tangle over illegal selling of whisky.

There was an article trying to define the difference between the various Youth Movements.

Turning to another publication in a single issue there were articles on our Home Mission subject, though not so labelled; articles on China; an article on "Triumphant Christians" in Germany and in Russia; another, which being interpreted meant, "Let's go back to the Bible." It will be valuable to clip papers and magazines during this year. Today our citizens are confused and troubled about family life, about youth, about crime, drunkenness, gambling, poverty, war: these articles in the press indicate this. In one way and another they are asking "What has the Church to say?"

The Church does have something to say. The Church says no kind of education, no type of reform, no new economic system, no political panacea will make men righteous and just. It believes and proclaims that there is a power that can change the lives of men, that Christ coming into these lives can make "new creatures" of them. That Christ in the home will make home sacred, that Christian education will safeguard youth; that the Word of God is the "Truth that makes men Free", and from its pages men learn how to live the more abundant life.

May the studies of the year give us a clear conception of the mission of the church—which is to make Christ known—and give us an awareness of our responsibility in this task.

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228. Mrs. Calvin Bolster, Pittsburgh, Pa. In memory of Mrs. Katherine Matz.
229. Olive Galey, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
230. Mrs Chas. Cook, Little York, Ill. By W.M.S. of Cedar Creek Church.
231. Mrs. Ray M. Whiteman, Little York, Ill. By Mrs. H. L. Martin.
232. Mrs. C. H. Chamberlin, Little York, Ill. By Mrs. F. M. Barrows.
233. Susie McRoberts, Pittsburgh, Pa.
234. Mrs. Vincent Rousseau, Pittsburgh, Pa.
235. Mrs. Herman D. King, Pittsburgh, Pa.
236. Helen Blanche Dindinger, Pittsburgh, Pa.
237. Margaret Patterson, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By her father, J. A. Patterson.
238. Eleanor Costello, Pittsburgh, Pa. By a friend.
239. Mrs. G. Kell Thompson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
240. Mary J. Rowley, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Rose R. and Helen M. Semmen; for her interest, loyal support, and loving devotion to our church.
241. Mrs. Margaret Kerr, Pittsburgh, Pa.
242. Clara Robbins, Swissvale, Pa. By Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Heyne.
243. Mrs. H. C. Curtis, Carnegie, Pa. By Mary S. Patton.
244. Mrs. Joseph C. Wilson, Carnegie, Pa. By Mary S. Patton.
245. Stella E. McMichael, In Memoriam. By Mary S. Patton, Carnegie, Pa.
246. Mrs. A. Walker Gordon, New Wilmington, Pa. By Margaret and Dorothy Miller.
247. Mrs. T. N. Ralston, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
248. Mrs. J. B. Fenner, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
249. Mrs. George S. Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
250. Mrs. George T. McBurney, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
251. Mrs. W. W. Frazier, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
252. Mrs. E. J. Carlisle, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
253. Mrs. Arthur McCredie, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.
254. Mrs. Mary Miller, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Harriet Milholland.
255. Mrs. J. H. McCartney, Coraopolis, Pa. By Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Purdy.
256. Mrs. Glenn A. George, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By a friend.

257. Mrs. S. E. G. Nixon, Woodville, Pa. By Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Ramsey and Mrs. M. J. Yoder.

258. Mrs. W. A. McKnight, Carnegie, Pa.

259. Mrs. Bertha Wallace, Carnegie, Pa.

260. Mrs. W. J. Wallace, Carnegie, Pa.

261. Mrs. S. B. Morrison, Carnegie, Pa.

262. Mary E. Doddy, Bloomington, Ind.

263. Mrs. Electa Martin, Somerville, Ind. By Somerville Society.

264. Mrs. Lulu Wymond, Princeton, Ind. By the Maria Blair Y.W.M.S.

265. Mrs. Robert Brown, Providence, R. I. By the Clara Brown Friendship Circle.

266. Mrs. Alice Harvey, Central Falls, R. I. By the Edith Martin Missionary Society.

267. Mrs. C. H. Fallows, Providence, R. I. By her husband.

268. Annie Russell, Quincy, Mass. By the Quincy Golden Circle.

269. Mrs. John MacLeod, Quincy, Mass. By the Quincy Golden Circle.

270. Mrs. John Steele, Quincy, Mass. By the Quincy Golden Circle.

271. Mrs. Elizabeth Webb, Denver, Colo. By her daughter, Pauline.

272. Mrs. Margaret Monzinge, Denver Colo. By Mrs. Elizabeth Webb.

273. Ethel Campbell, Denver, Colo. By Lois White and Margaret McCallum.

274. Mrs. Marjory Ardrey Sewell, Oklahoma City, Okla. By a Denver friend.

275. Mrs. James Gamble, Torrington, Wyo. By a friend.

276. Mrs. Roy Brewer, Torrington, Wyo. By a friend.

277. Mrs. Hutsell, Torrington, Wyo. By Women's Missionary Society.

278. Mrs. Kluherj, Torrington, Wyo. By her husband.

279. Mrs. Elsie Grooms, Monmouth, Ill. By the West Side W.M.S.

280. Frank G. Shafer, In Memoriam. By his Mother, Mrs. Anna G. Shafer, and his sisters, Mrs. Albert Funk and Susan and Marie Shafer, all of Washburn, Illinois.

281. Margaret McKelvey, Monmouth, Ill. By First Monmouth W.M.S.

282. Mrs. Florence Hogue, Monmouth, Ill. By West Side Eva D. Huey Y.W.M.S.

283. Mary Louise Strong, Monmouth, Ill. By the Ethel Lois Weed Circle, West Side.

284. Mrs. Wilson Morton, Monmouth, Ill. By Alice Winbigler, in memory of her sister, Julia Winbigler.

285. Mrs. J. Roy Cochran, Biggsville, Ill. By the W.M.S.

286. Mrs. Amy Birdsell, Kirkwood, Ill. By the W.M.S.

287. Mrs. Martha Blue, Homer City, Pa. By her husband, Thomas D. Blue.

288. Mrs. Bertha Graham, Homer City, Pa. By Mrs. W. L. Henry.

289. Mrs. Nellie Robinson, Bolivar, Pa. By her aunt, Mrs. Oliver Henderson.

290. Mrs. Mark Simpson, Indiana, Pa. By her Aunt Belle Simpson.

291. Mrs. Lillian McGowan, Renwick, Iowa. By Ellen McLaughlin Circle, Goldfield, Ia.

292. Mrs. Irene Stevenson, Goldfield, Iowa. By Ellen McLaughlin Circle, Goldfield, Ia.

293. Mrs. Henrietta Arthur, Everett, Wash. By the Women's Missionary Society.

294. Mrs. T. W. Kernaghan, Burlington, Wash. By the Women's Missionary Society.

295. Mrs. Andrew McBurney, Seattle, Wash. By a friend.

296. Mrs. Shardach Evans, Seattle, Wash. By a friend.

297. Mrs. August Riek, Spokane, Wash. By the Third Church.

298. Mrs. J. L. Starlin, Spokane, Wash. By bequest in will by Mrs. Ida Lafferty, Second Church.

299. Mrs. Walter Moffett, Spokane, Wash. By bequest in will by Mrs. Ida Lafferty.

300. Marion Watt, Bywood, Upper Darby, Pa.

301. Mrs. James Wallace, In Memoriam. By her daughters, Cynwyd, Pa.

302. Doris Covell, Washington, D. C.

303. Fannie Neron, Washington, D. C.

304. Mrs. H. D. Fraser, Ridley Park, Pa. By the W.M.S. of Woodland.

305. Mrs. Lyle J. Harbison Buffalo, N. Y. By the Auxiliary of First Church.

306. Mrs. B. I. Crooker, Wanakah, N. Y. By the W.M.S. of Wayside.

307. Mrs. Avery J. Pratt, Buffalo, N. Y. By North Park Women's Association.

308. Mrs. R. S. Shertzer, Oakland, Calif. By a friend.

309. Lillian West, Oakland, Calif. By a friend.

310. Mrs. John Hardes, San Francisco, Calif. By Mrs. Anna Joseph.

311. Mrs. Adelaide Moore, Fresno, Calif. By her husband.

312. Audrey Wolford, Oakland, Calif. By the J. C. A. Circle.

313. Mrs. Emily J. McAra, In Memoriam. By her daughters, Bellefontaine, O.

314. Mrs. Melville Cameron Detroit, Mich. By Mrs. James Warren and Mrs. B. A. Burrell.

315. Mrs. Mary Pruder, Detroit, Mich. By friends.

316. Mrs. John Giddens, Detroit, Mich. By the W.M.S., Military Avenue Church.

317. Annabel La Fever, Bovina Center, N. Y. By two friends.

318. Mrs. Laurie D. Terry, DeLancey, N. Y. By Mr. and Mrs. Robert Terry and the W.M.S., Cabin Hill, N. Y.

319. Mrs. Hammie George, Andes N. Y. By the W.M.S., Cabin Hill, N. Y.

320. Mrs. Lyman Faulkner, New Kingston, N. Y. By friends.

321. Mrs. Marvin J. Thompson, Davenport N. Y. By the W.M.S.

322. Mrs. Ella M. Clark, Delhi, N. Y. By her children, Ralph, Wilber and John Clark and Mrs. Herbert Sutherland.

323. Mrs. Robert D. George, Oneonta, N. Y. By friends.

324. Mrs. Cora E. Tripp, Oneonta, N. Y. By friends.

325. Mrs. George A. Drake, Oneonta, N. Y. By the Y.W.M.S.

326. Mrs. I. M. Shulze, Bellevue, Pa. By Mrs. C. M. Kefover.

327. Jean C. Hunter, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Mrs. Stewart Glover.

328. Mrs. Lyda Kennedy, Mars, Pa. By her sons and daughters.

329. Mrs. Christ Hespenheide, Mars Pa. By Mrs. Wm. Wilson and Grant, John and Christ Forsythe.

330. Mrs. Frank H. Logan, Etna, Pa.

331. Eva B. Seaton, Butler, Pa. By her brother, R. W. Seaton.

332. Mrs. J. H. Allman, Butler, Pa.

333. Mrs. J. P. Shull, Butler, Pa.

334. Mrs. E. B. Reed, Butler, Pa.

335. Mrs. Vern Lantz, Butler, Pa.

336. Mrs. C. E. Imbria, Butler, Pa.

337. Mrs. Wm. T. Jardin, Butler, Pa.

338. Mrs. W. W. Rose, Butler, Pa.

339. Mrs. Eleanor Spence, Whitinsville, Mass. By the W.M.S.

340. Mrs. Anne C. Walker, Whitinsville, Mass. By the W.M.S.

341. Mrs. J. J. Milne, In Memoriam. By her daughter, Mrs. C. Lee Wilmoth, Pittsburgh, Pa.

342. Mrs. Halma M. Hatch, South Bend, Ind. By Mrs. C. Lee Wilmoth.

343. Mrs. Alex Bryce, Linwood, N. Y. By Mrs. Blanche Stewart, York, N. Y.

344. Mrs. Thomas W. Hayes, Pittsburgh Pa. By friends.

345. Joan Gibson, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Minnie Edmundson, in memory of her mother.

346. Helen Firth, McKeesport, Pa. By Mrs. John McKee.

347. Mrs. W. G. Miller, McKeesport, Pa. By Mrs. John Miller.

348. Mrs. Anna C. Kimling, McKeesport, Pa. By a friend, in memory of her husband, Albert Kimling.

349. Mrs. Carolyn Jackson, Unity, Pa.

350. Mrs. Joseph G. Alter, New Kensington, Pa.

351. Mrs. Frank Krieger, New Kensington Pa. By Mrs. J. H. Spicer and Loucritia Boucher.

352. Mrs. Arch Holmes, New Kensington, Pa. By Dorothy Hankey.

353. Marcella M. Koontz, Washington, Pa. By members of First Washington Y.W.M.S.

354. Mary Stewart, Taylorstown, Pa. By two friends.

355. Mrs. Sara D. Baker, Slippery Rock, Pa. By her uncles, H. W. and G. H. Bell, in memory of her grandmother, Mrs. E. J. Bell.

356. Mrs. Clarence W. Armstrong, Wolfdale, Pa. By Etta McClure.

357. Mrs. George L. Brown, Burgettstown, Pa. By Mrs. J. C. H. Maxwell.

358. Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison, Avella, Pa. By her husband and sons.

359. Margaret Porter, Houston, Pa. By a friend.

360. Mrs. Harold L. McClay, Washington, Pa. By friends.

361. Jean Morrison, Washington, Pa. By friends.

362. Jane Meloy, Washington, Pa. By friends.

363. Katherine Henry, Washington, Pa. By friends.

364. Mrs. Clark Hickman, Canonsburg, Pa. By the W.M.S.

365. Mrs. C. U. Jarrett, St. Louis, Mo.

366. Mrs. Anna Bunn, University City, Mo.

367. Mrs. Mary McFarland, Sparta, Ill. By the W.M.S.

368. Mrs. James Edgar In Memoriam. By Lottie Edgar, Oakdale, Ill.

369. Mrs. Margaret Reeves, St. Louis, Mo. By Jennings W.M.S.

370. Mrs. Edna Humphrey, Benkelman, Nebr. By the W.M.S.

371. Mrs. S. J. Hotchkiss, Schenectady, N. Y.

372. Mrs. Agnes Ongman, Chicago, Ill. By her mother, Mrs. D. Earl.

373. Mrs. David L. Forsythe, Huntsville, Ohio. By Mary Cooke McConnell, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooke.

374. Mary E. Campbell, Newton, Iowa. By his mother, Mrs. Tim J. Campbell.

375. Lorraine Nollen, Newton, Iowa. By his mother, Mrs. G. H. Nollen.

376. Mrs. Mary Morrow, Home, Pa.

377. Mrs. Edgar Ludwick, Kittanning, Pa. By Mrs. William Lauster, Rural Valley, Pa.

378. Betty McIntyre, Freeport, Pa.

379. Mrs. C. C. Stewart, Ottawa, Kansas. By the W.M.S., in honor of her beautiful life and faithful service.

380. Mrs. E. H. Moorman, Canton, Ohio. By Mrs. John Quinn.

381. Mrs. W. E. Rehbein, Canton, Ohio. By Mrs. A. W. Warren.

382. Mrs. J. A. McLean, Columbus, Ohio. By Mrs. J. O. Welch.

383. Ethel Wead, Xenia, Ohio. By Mrs. W. J. Cherry.

384. Mrs. Geo. Frater, Columbus, Ohio. By the Glen Echo W.M.S.

385. Mrs. Frank Miller, Bellefontaine, Ohio. By friends.

386. Mrs. Philip Zellar, Bellaire, Ohio.

387. Mrs. John Owens, Martins Ferry, Ohio.

388. Mrs. Wm. McFetredge, St. Clairsville, Ohio.

389. Zella Johnston, In Memorial. By two friends, East Liverpool, Ohio.

390. Jennie Donaldson, Carrollton, Ohio. By the W.M.S.

391. Mrs. Margaret Yealey, Carrollton, Ohio. By the W.M.S.

392. Mrs. Julia Hull, Salineville, Ohio.

393. Mrs. Martha C. McDonald, Ben Avon, Pa.

394. Mrs. Wm. D. Fulton, Pittsburgh, Pa.

395. Mrs. Carl E. Schaefer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

396. Gladys Donaldson, Butler, Pa.

397. Mrs. Harry S. Wood, Conway, Pa. In memory of her mother.

398. Mrs. Roma Paxton, Morning Sun, Ohio. By friends of the W.M.S.

399. Mrs. W. D. Wilson, Richmond, Ind. By her aunt, Martha P. Wilson.

400. Mrs. Annie Dennis, Ezel, Ky. By the W.M.S.

401. Mrs. Ellen Williams, Ezel, Ky. By the W.M.S.

402. Mrs. Minnie Murphy, Ezel, Ky. By the W.M.S.

403. Mrs. D. B. Ricker, Greeneville, Tenn. By the Camp Creek W.M.S.

404. Ellen McKee, Hamilton, Ohio. By the W.M.S.

405. Martha Ferguson, Ezel, Ky. By the King's Daughters.

406. Mrs. Ralph Brown, Davenport, Iowa.

407. Mrs. J. S. McCallum, Goldfield, Iowa. By the W.M.S.

408. Eva Keith, Goldfield, Iowa. By the W.M.S.

409. David Jamison, In Memoriam. By his family, of Beaver Falls, Pa.

CORRECTION: On page 290 January Magazine, Life Member 68 should have been Mr. Charles S. Edmunds, Wynnewood, Pa. By his mother, instead of Mrs. Charles S. Edmunds.

Young Women's Department
including
Girls' Circles

MISS IDA B. LITTLE, Young Women's Secretary
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YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL WORK

Permanent object—Support of G. B. S., Pasrur, India.
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MORE NEW SOCIETIES

Monmouth Presbyterial — Alexis Girls' Mission Circle—8 members.

Chartiers Presbyterial — Peters Creek Girls' Circle—14 members.

Boston Presbyterial—Providence Girls' Mission Circle—14 members.

Detroit Presbyterial — Pontiac Oakland Avenue Missionary Association.

Mrs. Andrew S. Creswell has sent in a few words regarding the new Pontiac society: "A new missionary society was organized January 15th in Pontiac, called the Oakland Avenue Missionary Association and sponsored by Mrs. E. W. Hallett, president of the W. M. S. for the past three years. With a very vital interest in missions, she has encouraged others until this new missionary group has become a reality.

"The association consists of young women and young men of the Climbing Clan Bible Class; also, young married people of the Berean Fellowship Class. We expect a steady increase in membership because both Bible classes are active in the regular work of the church. We are happy to include the men as well as the women as charter members. The president is Mrs. Floyd Levely."

YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL FUND

Notice the difference between returns as reported on January first—1929-1940. Quite a sliding scale is it not? The trouble is that the direction taken is *down, not up.* If societies *willed* it so, could not the trend be changed upward instead of downward?

The figures being considered are:

1929	$1,599.50	1935	923.00
1930	1,621.25	1936	795.00
1931	1,573.60	1937	908.00
1932	1,209.50	1938	801.35
1933	995.00	1939	615.00
1934	704.00	1940	585.00

This year's record (Jan. 1, 1940), is the least amount at this time of year during the regime of the present secretary! We are convinced that the total amount for this fund, $8,000.00, is not impossible of attainment. May we call attention to some every month, perhaps weekly or even daily, expenditures which most young women assume voluntarily. (Some of these may not apply so much to the young girls in our societies, but surely to those more mature as to age). Here is a short list, but one with which you are familiar: Daily paper, 3 cents a copy, 72 cents a month, $8.64 a year. In some homes, two dailies, even three are taken. Compute the cost of these.

Also, count up the cost of "being beautiful" such as: Marcels, permanents, face and hands' embellishments; then sodas, autos, and other possible items, personal and otherwise.

In the face of all these items of expense, does the "Y. W. Special dollar" seem insignificant? You are reading this just shortly before your report for the missionary year is closing. If your society has not thought it necessary to remember the Y. W. Special along with other obligations, why not attend to it at once? May societies lift the burden from the "shoulders" of other funds forced to finish out that part of the Special not provided for by the proper persons! *Do it now!*

"A VISION AND A TASK"

"A vision's a grand and glorious thing,
An enchanted and mystical view,
For it paints a bright scene of the joys it will bring
In a glowing and brilliant hue.

"A task is a joy, for it's something to do;
It's a discipline, stern yet refined.
It's the thing that builds character noble and true
Through achievement of muscle and mind.

"But a taskless vision is a dream that is vain,
And a visionless task is a grind;
And the hope of the world is the soft, sweet refrain
Of a task and a vision combined."

May each society of girls or young women catch the spirit of the above lines. It is as we see one thing to have a vision, another to have a task. Some merely dream while others work, and still others put their dreams into effect. No doubt there are many societies whose reports will show that their "tasks and visions were combined." Let us hope so!

If your society has been "dragging," there has been too much "hoping" or too little "doing," probably a little of both. Vision should be acquired if one takes the *trouble* to *know* of the "fields white unto the harvest." It is the opportunity of every society to be intelligent in its work if it wishes to be. There is ample literature at hand, and at little cost. Just write in to the Literature Department. It can supply you. Or, if you live near the city, drop in and select what you would have.

We are wondering if societies hold any goals before themselves, seeking to do better each succeeding year? And if they take stock at the close to note how well they have done?

Does your society have a vision of the work a missionary society may do? Is it willing to assume the task expected of it? Yes, it's glorious to have a vision; it's joy to be assigned a task. May the new year on which societies are soon to enter be fruitful in good deeds well done and may every member be happy to be of service.

HOW ONE SOCIETY DID IT

The monthly meeting of the missionary societies of the West 44th Street Church, New York City, was held on Sabbath, January 21. The Senior Society served tea at 4:30, and conducted the devotional service at 5:00. The Young Women had charge of the program. Under the direction of Miss Sally Scott, a splendid array of missionary facts, based on material from the December magazine, was presented by members of both societies, the participants speaking in the first person, some in costume. The meeting became in effect a testimony meeting, and rose to unusual spiritual heights. A senior member said that "God broke through into the meeting." So deep was the impression, that members of the young women's society who later attended the Young People's Christian Union, could not refain from telling that group about the meeting and the missionary in-

spiration that they had received. The Young Women's Society is taking personal oversight of the next younger girls, and thus insuring the future of the missionary Cause in this Church.

YOUNG WOMEN'S RALLY—CHARTIERS PRESBYTERIAL

Although the thermometer did register 2 degrees below zero at 6:00 P. M. Friday evening, January 19, 147 young women representing 23 of the 31 Young Women's and Teen Age Missionary Societies of Chartiers Presbyterial, gathered for a Rally in the Second United Presbyterian Church, Washington.

Dinner was served by the Home Builders' Class of the church. We remained at the tables for the program. In answer to Roll Call, each Society responded with some special work it had accomplished or something it had found helpful in the Society. The Susannah Hutchison Circle of Robinson Church reported 75% of its membership present and they had driven the greatest number of miles, probably 30 miles. Consider the *zero* weather!

We regretted very much that it was impossible for either Mrs. Virgil Hutchison, our Presbyterial President, or Mrs. Harry Hutchison, who represents us in Egypt, to be present.

Mrs. J. Paul Graham, wife of pastor of First Church, Washington, led the invocation.

We were very proud to introduce the two fine speakers we had secured for the Rally. Mrs. J. B. Cummings, of India gave us a splendid picture of the work in Gordon College as well as glimpses into other phases of missionary work there. Miss Ida B. Little, Young Women's Secretary, spoke very interestingly of what a Missionary Society *should be* and *should not be*. We could have listened to each of these speakers much longer.

Mrs. Miriam Shepard, Minister of Music at Second Church, Washington, sang.

Mrs. Samuel W. Shane, wife of the pastor of the entertaining church, led in the closing prayer.

Margaret Duncan Neal,
Secretary of Young Women.

TO DELEGATES AND VISITORS—JUNE CONVENTION

Are you planning on attending the Convention at Santa Ana next June?—Did you read the notice concerning travel plans on page 358, February Magazine? May mention be made again of the *desirability* of having a *special train. One hundred delegates* and *friends* will make this possible. But *names* and *addresses* of those planning to go *must* be on hand *soon* so that *definite* arrangements may be *completed.*

A request has come for an *approximate* estimate of *cash needed* to cover necessary expenses:—Railroad rates as quoted at this time—based on coach and tourist accommodations—are:—

Ticket (round trip)—Pittsburgh to Chicago (coach)—$18.70; Chicago-Santa Ana (tourist sleeper)—$74.00.

Berth (*one way*)—Chicago-Calif.—upper, $6.80; lower, $8.95. (Two may occupy a berth and thus cut the cost.) (Round trip) $13.60 or $17.90.

Meals on train and Convention entertainment *may* require $21 to $25 more.

It is thought that $150.00 *should* see one through very comfortably, depending on *individual* planning.

PLEASE REPLY AT ONCE, IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS INFORMATION, to

MISS IDA B. LITTLE, Transportation Secretary
1503 Dormont Ave.,
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Girls' Circle Program

MRS. W. M. JACKSON, 501 North Fourth St., Clear Lake, Iowa

THE CHRISTIAN HOME

INVITATION: "We need your suggestions for an ideal home. Come and bring a friend." Give place and date.

PREPARATION: If possible own a roll black board, almost all leaders will use it. Secure the booklet "Christianizing the Home," by W. E. McCulloch. If your pastor does not have a copy, send to the Literature Department, 10 cents.

LEADER: "We all have in mind an *ideal* home. A high type of home. In our short lives we have witnessed the results of wrong homes; suffering from wrong-doing, brok homes, suicide, regret, discontent. Why should these things happen in a world so beautiful and where so much has been planned to satisfy our needs?

The ideal home we would build in thought tonight must be a religious home with Christ as its foundation."

Read Luke 6:(47-49).

Sing Bible Song Hymnal No. 67: "Lead Me to the Rock."

QUOTATIONS: Should be written out and passed to be read or told.

LEADER: "These are written from life experiences." Quote first par. of Chap. I, pp. 55.

FIRST SPEAKER: Pres. Benjamin Harrison, 1st par. pp. 21.

SECOND SPEAKER: Jno. Randolph, pp. 24.

THIRD SPEAKER: Wilbur Chapman, pp. 3.

FOURTH SPEAKER: George W. Fiske, pp. 3.

FIFTH SPEAKER: Pres. Calvin Coolidge, pp. 7.

SIXTH SPEAKER: Will Carleton, pp. 23.

SEVENTH SPEAKER: Mary Allen West, 1st par., pp. 29.

Use blackboard. Arrange for two lists.

I. What Christ brought to homes. (Ask for proof from life of Christ).
1. Cheer—as in Jno. 16:33.
2. Comfort—Luke 7:11-15.
3. Reproof.
4. Healing.
5. Instruction.
6. Inspiration.
7. Salvation.

Sing Bible Songs Hymnal No. 255: "The Way of the Cross Leads Home."

LEADER: Emphasize the part of Dad and Mother in making this most helpful home.

Find abundant material in chapters IV and V.

2nd list on blackboard.

II. What is *our* part?
1. Willingness to share.
2. Obedience.
3. Gratitude for Christian teaching.
4. Co-operation.
5. Making attractive.
6. Helpfulness.
7. Cheerfulness.

"YOUR HOUSE OF HAPPINESS"

Take what God Gives, O heart of mine,
And build your house of happiness!
Perchance some have been given more,
But many have been given less.
Trust not tomorrow's dawn to bring
The dreamed of joy for which you wait;
You have enough of pleasant things
To house your soul in goodly state;
Tomorrow time's relentless stream
May bear what now you have away;
Take what God gives, Oh heart, and build
Your house of happiness today.

B. Y. Williams.

Home Missions

MRS. WM. COOK, Secretary, 1201 Sixth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

FRENCHBURG HOSPITAL BURNS

The Frenchburg Hospital burned to the ground on the night of January 23, with the loss of all equipment and furnishings. The occupants of the first floor were forced to escape with only what few clothes they could gather up. Fortunately there were but two patients at the time and they both were able to walk. Dr. Riley had a room in the hospital during the severe cold and Mr. and Mrs. Hovermale and baby, lived in the hospital. On the ground floor, Mr. Manor, basketball coach, Mr. Hughes, farm manager and two dormitory boys, Paul Lovely and Edgar Parsley, had rooms. They managed to get nearly all their clothing and furniture out before the smoke got to them.

The fire started in an unused storage room almost in the center of the building. It had gained sufficient headway to burn through the ceiling before it was discovered and our meager fire fighting equipment could not stop it. Within a few minutes after it was discovered, the house was so filled with smoke and heat that it was impossible to get anything out.

The Frenchburg Hospital was begun in 1915 with the erection of a small frame structure where Dr. Esther Mitchell began to practise medicine and cared for the sick. In 1926 a brick unit was built to the original building increasing the capacity of the hospital to twenty beds. It was well equipped with material and supplies for caring for major operations as well as for care of the sick. Friends continued through the years to furnish funds to increase its usefulness. Dr. Mitchell resigned from the work in 1934 on account of failing strength and Miss Meda Reynolds was made superintendent. Miss Reynolds was succeeded in 1937 by Miss Alice Maxwell who served until 1939. Miss Reynolds had resigned to become Mrs. Martin Hovermale and after the resignation of Miss Maxwell she was persuaded to accept the position of nurse again, and is continuing in that capacity.

An emergency hospital is being arranged in the Girl's Dormitory and will continue until the Farm House can be repaired to serve in this respect.

Mrs. Hovermale wrote February first, "We have our little emergency Hospital nearly equipped now and can take care of eight patients as it is now arranged."

Sheets and pillow slips are in great demand. Sheets—36x99. Pillow slips — 42x36. Dresser scarfs — 12x36. Wash cloths, hand towels and bath towels of all sizes. Blankets and quilts. Layettes and patients' gowns would be appreciated. It would be best to buy them ready made.

Just what the future holds is uncertain. The building was insured as well as the furnishings and the insurance money will make a nice beginning for a building fund. If the Board decides to rebuild we have faith to believe that the good friends of the school will furnish the additional funds.

Philadelphia Presbyterial has subscribed for the salary of the superintendent for several years. News of the loss which the Hovermale's suffered brought a prompt and generous donation from the Philadelphia churches.

Expressions of sympathy are coming from many sources and these comfort and strengthen us. We thank our friends for these expressions.

FRENCHBURG NEWS

Despite the severe weather (20 degrees below zero two mornings) the church and school activities have proceeded as usual. Sabbath School and church services are well attended.

Mr. Stephens, Miss Margaret Bev-

eridge and Miss Helen McLenahan attended a conference for administrators of church related schools in Kentucky, on January 19th, and received much information and inspiration. Reverend J. M. McMains attended the conference for Kentucky Rural pastors on January 31st.

The cold weather brought a number of problems and considerable expense in frozen water pipes. The boiler in the school building burst, and had to be replaced with a new one, at a cost of six hundred dollars, without the installation.

It seems that "troubles never come singly."

Miss Winifred Moore has been absent since Thanksgiving, undergoing and recovering from a goiter operation. She expects to return soon.

Miss Helen McLenahan fell on the ice, the morning before the fire, and broke her ankle. She was taken to the hospital in Winchester for an X-Ray, and to have the bone set. Is now able to be about on crutches, with her ankle in a cast, but will be incapacitated for about eight weeks.

You have read of the fire that destroyed our little Hospital and all equipment. In addition to this loss, the nurse, Mrs. Hovermale, husband and baby, lost everything except the few garments they got into very hurriedly. Their furniture, including their wedding presents and personal possessions are a total loss. Another loss is that of the basketball uniforms. They had been taken to the hospital laundry, just that day to be freshened up. This loss is felt keenly by these boys.

EZEL SCHOOL

Does it get very cold down at Ezel? That's the question a number of our friends have asked. And we answer, "Our thermometer said only 12 degrees below zero one morning but some of the other thermometers registered 14 below. Yes, we enjoyed the recent cold spell along with the rest of you."

Our second semester is well under way now. We have a number of new students in the Junior High and a few of our old ones here dropped out. The cold weather has cut down on the number attending our Saturday clothing sales but it has also increased the need for clothing. Our supply is just about exhausted, so we are hoping that some of your readers remember us when you begin to talk of Spring Cleaning.

MISS EMMA DEAN ANDERSON VISITS US

Ezel was very happy to entertain Miss Emma Dean Anderson for a few days. Miss Anderson stopped off at Frenchburg and Ezel on her way to Florida. She was accompanied by her niece, Miss Margaret Anderson.

A committee from the Presbytery composed of our former Superintendent Rev. Ray M. Davis, D.D., who is now our Synodical Superintendent of Missions, and Rev. D. H. Hammond, D.D., of the Reid Memorial Church, Richmond, Indiana, visited us on January 22. They met with the combined sessions of the Frenchburg and Ezel Congregations. Members of our Women's Missionary Society served them a dinner in the dining room of the parsonage.

Our latest visitor was our Scout Executive McConnell from the Blue Grass Council in Lexington who met with our Boy Scout Troop and spoke at the regular meeting of the Ezel Brotherhood. This organization sponsors the Scout Troop here.

SABBATH SCHOOL RALLY FOR ATTENDANCE

Mr. Ellis Ward, our Sabbath School Superintendent, is leading us in a drive for increased attendance. He has set a goal for each class and for the school total. We are glad to have Mr. Ward back with us after an enforced absence due to the serious illness and death of his father.

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

The missionary writes that despite the weather and the irregularities of the holiday program of everyone, that she was privileged to talk with twelve different groups about "our work in Egypt," to a total audience of 288. In the new Edgecliff district 147 calls were made. A community meeting was held to discuss possibilities of work there, and at their suggestion Cottage Prayer meetings are to be held each week in their homes.

Seventy-five copies of The Gospel of John, with study helps, have been distributed to homes, most of which did not have a Bible or did not know how to study it. Others have been given out to seat-mates in the bus, or to some one who has picked me up on the highway before the bus came. On one such occasion the man said—"My wife and I have been praying that we may have a church in our community." That is not accomplished, but these two are not alone in that prayer.

Miss Work writes that there have been numerous contacts with the young people, even a skating party, and that she was elated that she could still skate a little, after being sixteen years away from ice.

TAHOMA TERRACE MISSION, TACOMA, WASH.

The little mission has been experiencing an epidemic of measles and scarlet fever, which has and is causing deep anxiety.

Many were kept from the Christmas activities, but the air around the little mission was filled with the voices of happy children—"the music of these Carols will geep ringing in our ears for months to come." so writes Miss Johnstone. The Pageant was given to a crowded house, and the treat distributed to all, even to the sick-a-bed ones, to enjoy later. The High School boys of the Bible School met, and for two evenings made ropes and wreaths to decorate the buildings, and later enjoyed a ten o'clock supper at "Tahoma House." The men of the Boards of the church, have met evenings for weeks, making new tops for all the Bible Class tables, a new table for the Kindergarten class, and a closet for the Choir robes. (We wish Mrs. Randles and Mrs. Boobyer could see us now). The women were guests of the First Church Society recently, when Mrs. Rachel Seiver spoke. The Tahoma women will entertain the Tacoma Society this month. Interest has been awakened in a number outside the membership, and "We are looking to Him to see that number doubled." His hand has been upon us for blessing, and with truly God-given courage, we face the year 1940. We ask your continued prayer.

SAN FRANCISCO PRESBYTERY, EASTON, CAL.

During December ten additional miles were canvassed and in one hundred and four homes, thirty-five boys and girls are not in any Bible School were found. A summary of the report was given at a meeting of the Teachers and officers of the Bible School and also at the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society. Since the beginning of the canvass by the two denominations, the middle of September, nine hundred canvass cards have been given out and six hundred more prepared for distribution. At the winter communion in the Easton church, five new members were received. Owing to the Christmas activities, not many calls were made, but Miss Jamieson reports that even though the "Weather Man" was not any too considerate, that she personally made more than one hundred calls.

WEST 44TH STREET, NEW YORK

The Monday before Christmas a party was given for thirty little children and their mothers. The Christmas Story was read and acted out,

by a group of older girls, who came to help with the entertainment, and was done very reverently. Miss Geyer then gave a message, showing the birth of Jesus was Old Testament prophecy fulfilled, making clear that Jesus was the promised Messiah. Several Jewish children took part in the program. Each one received a candy cane, popcorn and little favors. The mothers, as well as the children, enjoyed the party.

SECOND ITALIAN CHURCH

In the Second Italian Church, Pittsburgh, a Christmas party was given for the children Christmas night and attended by parents and friends. Candy was given to all the children and a toy to each child between the ages of four and twelve.

Three members of the Y. P. C. U., who are attending Westminster College, had charge of the service the last Sabbath of the month.

N. S., PITTSBURGH

The missionary working on the N. S. Pittsburgh, spent the most of December distributing food, clothing and bedding to alleviate a little of the suffering the extreme cold weather brings to the very poor. Some cash donations helped with coal and shoes. Several of the churches donated canned goods to help with the Christmas baskets. A storekeeper, who is an Italian and a Catholic, gave three large baskets of food and some warm clothing. During December five addresses were given. While Mrs. Lamb has been ill during the month of January, with flu and a "strep" throat, the month was not wasted, as it gave her an opportunity to write to the many individuals and societies who donated so generously. She adds—"Perhaps I had better stay sick another month, as I seem to have accomplished more. Never knew that I was such a good beggar."

SLOVAN, PA.

The Christmas program, with all the activities of the season, were carried out successfully. Each received a gift, and special awards went to those with the best record of attendance during the year. The Y. P. C. U. had almost a 100% attendance the first meeting of the new year, and will have a contest running until the close of the church year. Our definite requests for prayer as we start the new year: For the parents. For members of our Bible School who have become careless, and for some of our older boys and young men, who are letting the pleasures of the world crowd out the things of the Kingdom.

LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY

Owing to activities incident to the holiday season not much was done by the various committees during the latter half of the month and my own work was necessarily limited, so far as contacting the people was concerned. The time was profitably spent, however, in developing programs and outlining the work for the further activities of the committees in the future. Have taught a Bible Class each Sabbath morning except December 24, when I attended the dedication of the Grace Community Church (U. P.)

Two conferences were held with a group of young women of the First Church, Los Angeles, looking toward the organization of a Young Women's Missionary Society. Also one meeting to consider the organization of a High School Age Girl's Missionary Society.

Have presented the Program of Presbytery, "The Church at Work in its Community," in one church.

Have given five missionary addresses to as many different Missionary Societies. Held conference with the workers in the Culver City Church with reference to plans for the development of their program.

Calling was limited to the first half of the month. However, my committees made a total of 278 calls, of which I made 111.

Mrs. John Ferguson.

Negro Missions

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HENDERSON, N. C.

Two large boxes sent from Bovina Center, N. Y., Delaware Presbyterial, surprised and delighted Miss Warren. A letter had been sent in advance asking for a statement of special needs. When the boxes were opened the contents far exceeded anything imagined and met the needs better than if each one had paid a personal visit. Everything from tea towels to beautiful silver table service, together with cash enough for a new sink, new dishes, etc., came out of the boxes.

The girls were so grateful that each one wanted to write a personal letter of thanks.

The Florence Jones Society of First Wilkinsburg, Pa., sent a box of dresses, coats, hats and other garments, all filling real needs. Some of the girls are too thinly clad to attend school in winter and were not prepared for the unusually cold winter.

The Avalon Church as its custom is sent contributions of candy and gifts to Millers Ferry station. The Young Women's Society of the Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, also sent many useful gifts to this same mission.

Mr. William Peters of Prairie Mission, Prairie, Alabama, writes: "I want to thank our friends for the gifts to our children. We have about fifty more students than usual this year. I did not see how we could keep up the custom of giving a gift to each one at Christmas, but thanks to the women of the Oxford, Ohio, Church, packages were wrapped and addressed to one hundred of these children. We were able to wrap packages for the others from material sent from the Junior Exhibit and from several societies. Altogether this was one of the best Yule tides we ever had.

"Our rally was conducted as usual at the usual time. One hundred and sixty-three dollars was the total amount reported. We expect to continue until our total is two hundred dollars."

Miss Anna Rutherford writes from Chase City, Virginia: "Our last month was uneventful; everybody busy completing dresses, big and little aprons and other garments. Last year it seemed necessary to put gift articles into the hands of girls to keep them busy. Not so this year. Since the tobacco warehouses opened, money has not been so scarce and more yards of goods have been brought by the girls themselves. We take up food study next month.

"Our Christmas entertainment was up to the standard. Some of the old familiar Christmas carols were sung but a few novel features were introduced. Our music is always good and we always have a full house for our entertainments. Our Christmas offering—a joint project of school and church—amounted to $98.

"Dr. Wilson, who has been principal and pastor of Thyne Institute and Church for thirty years, spoke to our people, making clear to the students our indebtedness to the Church in the North which sends thousands of dollars annually to sustain this work, started by Mr. Ashenhurst more than sixty years ago."

Jubilee Hospital, Henderson, N. C., has been quite full, due to several automobile accidents recently. Seventy-two patients were treated during the month, including 9 major and 1 minor operations. There have been from 8 to 10 tubercular patients in the hospital since July. The County is providing two nurses to care for them in addition to supplying the extra milk required for their treatment.

Mrs. John A. Cotton of Henderson, North Carolina, well known throughout the church, will be the representative of this department to the W.G.M.S. Convention in Santa Ana, California, June 14-18.

Indian Missions

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MARCH, 1940 WARM OR CROW MOON, 1940 GREAT SUNS

Meet My Friend:

Raymond Zack - Yakima Indian Evangelist

I am happy to introduce our friend, Raymond Zack, who is now twenty-six years old. Early in his life he accepted the invitation of our Lord: "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Since then, he has dedicated his life to the service of the Master. In his evangelistic work he has covered a large area among

Mr. Raymond Zack. Associated with Mr. E. J. Sam at McKinley Indian Mission, Yakima Reservation, Wash.

Indians and others, and preached the Gospel message of Christ to Indians in twenty Indian reservations in different States and is well known in the West.

Before I came into this work under the W.G.M.S., he and I traveled together; he was my co-worker and companion. We worked together as one; we were away from our loved ones for months at a time. Some times we went hungry, and some nights we had to sleep in our car. We went through these trials in order to get the Gospel to the Indians.

He preached the pure Word of God with his life and with lots of fire back of it. Surely the Lord has anointed our "Brother Ray," as we call him here, with a wonderful message, a message that will reach down to the hearts of men. When you hear him, you will say with us: "Surely that man is of God". We need more workers like him, who will give their all for the Gosepl work and yield themselves to God. We are very proud of our Brother Ray and we are much in prayer for him. He is now attending Northwest Christian College and he has promised us that he is going to spend some time with us preaching at McKinley Indian Mission for two weeks. So we are looking forward to this.

Edw. Sam.

DOLLS ARE NICEST!

Each year, since coming to Tama, we have enjoyed opening the boxes of Christmas gifts that have come in from various organizations and individuals, then assigning the articles to the different homes. There was always a little question in our minds whether we were assigning to each child the gift that was most acceptable.

When teaching our Bible classes at the Government school the first week of the new year, I decided to ask the primary class (beginners and first

grade) what gifts they liked best. With the girls almost all remarked that their dollies were nicest—incidentally, this is the first Christmas we have had enough dolls for all the girls of "doll" age. One girl liked her little dishes best. Next, I asked the boys. One replied, "Marbles," but most of them named "Cars" or "Trucks."

I explained to the children how these gifts came from people—many far away—who gave to them because it was Jesus' birthday, and in giving to them, the people wanted to show their love for them and for Jesus. Then I thought I would venture a little further and asked if there was something they had wanted but didn't receive. All was silence, then little Willie, a tiny little fellow, piped up, "A bicycle". You see these children are very much like all other children and I'm sure they all were thankful to you who helped make Christmas a happy occasion for them.

Mrs. Fred C. Patterson.

SIMNASHO NEWS

"Our tribe increases", writes Mrs. E. H. Carson, "for this year we prepared for 325 individuals and even at that there were a dozen men who did not receive anything. The men look for a gift just as eagerly as the children. We had very nice boxes this year, more clothing than usual. We are grateful to the Societies for so happily remembering us".

"The C. C. Camp mess hall and the nice educational building now are being used as a 'long house' and dining hall. So when the drums throb they seem to be right in our house. Being so near, brings us a great many callers. 'I've come to visit you' is very often heard and we do visit and take time that we feel is so precious, but we ask that what we do be blest in our Saviour's Name."

"Today is the fifth day of celebration by the Indians at the long house. The Indians went through some of their 'religious' dances, and as midnight drew near and the New Year came there was some especially grotesque war dancing. The missionary tolled the Church bell long and lustily at midnight for his share of the noise, but it was inaudible amid the din of the drums and 'kiwiing!"

Rev. Mr. Carson wrote: "I do hope that the good Christmas pageant and songs that Mrs. Carson took so much pains to drill them in have not been all effaced by all this celebration. These gatherings constitute the center of Indian community life; discontinue them and I suppose they would disintegrate; continue them and the tribal language, religion, and customs stay."

McKINLEY MISSION NEWS

"My people join me in sending happy greetings and fond wishes to all. With much gratification, we are thanking those who sent us love gifts, in the way of money, clothing, toys, games, and not forgetting those that are praying much for us. You surely have made many of our people happy, and they had a merry Christmas. McKinley Chapel was packed full of Indians, about 250, and 7 whites. Many had to stand as we did not have seats for everybody. The Chapel was beautifully decorated, the tree was illuminated with brilliant lights of various colors, because we love the Prince of Peace; He is our Saviour, a gift to us. With what you sent us we were able to get enough candy, nuts, oranges, and apples to fill 222 bags. All the children (up to 16 years) received gifts from what you sent, also many adults. I am happy and thankful to you all".

Edward J. Sam.

Note: A fine Christmas program was prepared with many taking part. After singing the closing hymn—"Jesus Is All the World to Me", Mr. Sam says, "Every one went home rejoicing".

Foreign Missions

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MISSIONARIES' BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

Miss Hazel Bennett	April 4
Miss Mabel McMichael	April 6
Miss Eva M. Hewitt	April 7
Miss Elizabeth S. White	April 8
Miss Evelyn Cathcart	April 11
Miss Laura Reynolds	April 15
Miss Stella Robertson	April 17
Miss Helen R. Brownlee, R.N.	April 18
Miss Hazel E. Anderson	April 21
Miss Elizabeth Wilson	April 21
Miss Mary Logan	April 23
Miss Helen V. Weede	April 29

A MISSIONARY'S PLEA

Will you not pray for us? Each day we need
Your prayers; for oft the way is rough and long,
And our lips falter and forget the song,
As we proclaim the Word men will not heed.

Pray for us! We are but vessels frail;
The world's appalling need would crush us down,
Save that in vision we behold the crown
Upon His brow Who shall at length prevail!

INDIA

We have been saddened by the sudden death of Miss Henrietta Moore, who was called to her reward on January 22. She had gone to Florida to spend the winter near her brother and his wife and seemed to be in good health but was stricken after an illness of about twenty-four hours. The funeral services were held in Butler, Pennsylvania, and she was laid to rest among her own people near that place. The services were conducted by Reverend C. W. Johnston of Prospect, Pennsylvania. Reverend J. G. Campbell, D.D., and Reverend J. B. Cummings (both of India) took part in the service. Other co-workers who were present were Mrs. J. B. Cummings and Miss Hazel Bennett. The Woman's Board was represented by Miss Ida Little and Mrs. A. J. Randles.

From her childhood Miss Moore was interested in missions and as a young woman consecrated her life to the Master's service in India, where she served for forty years. She returned to India for her last term of service in 1933 but was compelled for health reasons to come back to America in 1938. While she found it necessary in recent years to conserve her strength, she took delight in telling friends and societies of India's needs and in a letter written just a few days before her death she discussed certain phases of the work there, offering several suggestions.

Some years ago her younger sister, Sara, joined her in India and was likewise very devoted to the work there. At the conclusion of her furlough in 1933, Sara seemed quite able to resume her duties in the foreign field but in 1936 was laid to rest in India after a short illness. This was a great shock to Henrietta and no doubt helped in the break-down of her own health.

These two sisters were greatly beloved by the people among whom they worked. A letter received a few months ago from a successor to their work in Pathankot, India, said: "Almost everywhere we go we hear of the good work of the Moore sisters. One old Hindu woman said: 'Oh, how they loved us,' and another: 'We never tire of hearing the hymns they taught us.' So you see, we are just carrying on the work these two sisters began and it is with joy we hear these people tell the good things they have learned. May we too be able to bring them nearer the Kingdom."

During all the years of Miss Moore's service she was supported by the Sabbath School of the Norris Square Church in Philadelphia. These people, too, loved her and were much interested in her and her work.

When she returned to America she became a member of this church as she felt it was her home church. The pastor has written of Miss Moore: "She had the capacity of showing a personal interest in one's welfare that always made her friendship appreciated and welcomed. She was a woman of faith and most sincere spirituality. She belonged to the great host of women who published the glad tidings and it can well be said of her, 'She hath done what she could'."

While we are sad because of the loss of one of our India missionaries, we rejoice with another who, too has been blest with a long time of service in India. Miss Rosa McCullough celebrated her ninetieth birthday on February 15. Some of the children of the India missionaries at home getting their education have been much interested in visiting Miss McCullough in her home and planned to celebrate this birthday, meeting in a church nearby and having some speeches and many letters of congratulations sent to Miss McCullough at this time. She spent fifty-five years serving India and in 1935 retired in America. She and her sister are happy to be together in their little home in Greenwood, Missouri. The Women's Board and Miss McCullough's many friends throughout the Church rejoice with her in the long years of life she has been granted and wish her many more birthdays.

Miss Evva Hartig, who has worked in the Jhelum Hospital for many years and is now home on furlough, had a happy surprise following her visit in her supporting Presbyterial —Rock Island—when she was handed $54.00 and asked to use the money for supplies needed for her work in India. This gift was very much appreciated.

Dr. Reba C. Hunsberger of the Sialkot Memorial Hospital wrote of their busy months. Most of the time the hospital has been full to capacity and the entire staff has been rushed ever since vacations were over. Dr. Hamburger, a German refugee who had been assisting in the hospital, was interned for two months on account of the war just in their busiest season. When he returned Dr. Hunsburger was very tired and went for a week's rest in a camp up in the Northwest. While at Campbellpur with Miss Hewitt and Miss Howland she got a good view of the work among the frontier Moslem tribes. There are no Christian villages up there as are found in the districts down in the Punjab so it is practically virgin soil our missionaries are working on.

The Sialkot Municipal Board has given Dr. Hunsberger Rs. 5,000 for a tubercular isolation ward. This will pay for the cost of the building and for part of the equipment. This ward was included in the original plan for the hospital and will no doubt be a great help in the work.

Miss Lillian McConnell has been in the Sialkot Hospital for some weeks with a sprained thigh but is improving.

EGYPT

A letter from Miss Anna Criswell of the Pressly Memorial Institute in Assiut states that the work of another year has just been started and already they had one hundred twenty girls enrolled. They expected about one hundred more. It is impossible to get them all to come at one time. This school plans to celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary on March 7 and 8. We wish we could be in Assiut to help celebrate this event. It is wonderful to think of the long years of useful service which this school has been able to render.

THE SUDAN

Our prayers have been answered for a cablegram tells of the safe arrival in Alexandria on January 31, of Miss Mary V. Ewing, R. N., and Reverend and Mrs. Glen Fleming enroute

to The Sudan. Their boat was evidently delayed several days at Gibraltar as they were more than three weeks on the way. We presume they have reached their destination in The Sudan and are now busy studying the difficult language.

A letter from Miss Elsie Grove, written on November 29, was received on January 31. This shows that the mail is delayed these days on account of war conditions. At the time she wrote, Miss Grove was on her way to Uganda. She had been in poor health for about two months and felt she must have a short time of rest away from the heat as The Sudan had been unusually hot all fall. This was Miss Grove's year for leave out of the country but in view of the present state of affairs she did not want to go to Egypt. She had long wanted to go South to see if she could find a place of some elevation in the mountains where the missionaries could get a complete change of climate during their vacation. Her two weeks' trip on the river boat to Juba was very helpful and Miss Grove greatly enjoyed the change of scenery and the fellowship and company of the others on the boat. She was hoping after her stay in Uganda to come back a new person.

Miss Mary Jane McKnight, who has been acting as treasurer during the past two years, has been busy preparing the minutes and estimates for the coming year. She was not well for several weeks and is really in need of a rest. Her furlough was delayed one year but she expects to return to America this coming summer. Miss Verna Pillow is delaying her furlough a year also that she may take over the work of the treasurer.

Miss Isabel Blair of Akobo, The Sudan, has been attending the Kennedy School of Missions in Hartford, Connecticut, for several months. She is enjoying the life and work and receiving much benefit from her studies. She has especially enjoyed the courses on Islamics and Africa under the retired missionaries.

ETHIOPIA

The party of Ethiopia missionaries which was in India for some weeks arrived in America late in January. They are very happy to be at home after their long journey and the trying experiences of the past months.

As far as we know Rev. Duncan Henry and family are still in Addis Ababa trying to adjust the financial matters with the Italian government relative to the sale of Mission property. Mrs. Henry wrote to a friend on December 6 that they were hoping against hope that they would be permitted to stay indefinitely. She also said that one of Miss Blair's former schoolboys in Sayo is now a splendid preacher up in the northern part of Ethiopia. Religious liberty has been given to the Gallas. Nagari, the evangelist, had been going to the Government for some time telling about the Church and asking permission for it to continue. It is hoped that the native people in Addis Ababa will also be given full religious liberty.

Later: The following word has come from Dr. Glenn Reed:

"A letter received at the offices of the Board of Foreign Missions, written by the Rev. D. C. Henry on January 15th, brought the welcome word that the right of the native Ethiopian Church to held services in Addis Abeba has been fully recognized by the Government.

"Anticipated payments by the Government for the Hospital property which was expropriated and the equipment which was purchased have been made, and funds are on deposit in a bank in Addis Abeba. The transfer of these funds, now being arranged, will probably require some time.

"In writing of the presence of the blind evangelist Gidada in Addis Abeba, Mr. Henry reports that he is learning to play an organ. He must necessarily write the names of notes out in Braille, but is making good progress."

Junior Department

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HOW CAN WE DOUBT?

No failure and no fear
Can baffle spring,
Nor quench the gladness
That the thrushes sing.

No heaviness of heart
Can dim the sight
Of wee green fingers
Stretching to the light;

Or dauntless courage
In the dark earth's beds
From which triumphant
Snowdrops lift their heads.

God keeps His promise
To the smallest thing;
How can we doubt
In our immortal spring!

—*Mary Eversley,*
In the *Christian World.*

ANNUAL REPORTS

Blanks for the 1940 Statistical Report should be received by every Junior Leader early this month. Please give these reports your prompt attention. Yes, it will require time and care to fill them out properly and get them mailed on time. To obtain a full and complete report we are dependent upon your cooperation. We do not wish to have a single society omitted. Should any Junior leader fail to receive both a statistical and a Junior Standards report blank, please notify your Presbyterial Junior or Efficiency Secretaries.

RAWALPINDI JUNIOR RALLY

By MISS EVA M. HEWITT

In late October the Rawalpindi Presbytery Junior Rally was held in the Sadar congregation in Rawalpindi. There were about 170 children present from six places, and it was fine to see how many grown-ups were interested enough to come to the program.

As is the custom we arrive about ten o'clock by lorry or train, having the first meeting about eleven, opening with a welcome from one society and response from another. Then one or two societies give their reports together with their part on the entertainment program. As noon a good meal of rice and meat-ball curry had been prepared by Mrs. Samuel and the Bible School girls, and everyone was abundantly satisfied. To pay for this each child had previously given his leader four cents. Soon after noon we again sat in our places on the ground and finished the program, after which there was given the report of the judges for the banner. The Thank Offering service was held, each society presenting its offering. The children are interested in our Sudanese orphan, Nya Paar, and the past year a new project has been added—the support in future of a bed in the Sialkot Memorial hospital in the children's ward.

We had a little farewell for Miss Gwynaeth Porter who is to be in Sialkot hospital. Her work for Juniors in this part of the Synod has been a truly great contribution to the church. Mrs. Porter began and fostered the Junior work and her daughter has kept it up. It has such a hold on the church up this way that it will not easily be forgotten now.

The banner last year went to Taxila, but this time it was awarded to Campbellpur. The judges said Rawalpindi Sadar was second, and that the deciding factor was the stunt. Our schoolmaster had worked out a puppet show of the encounter of Elijah with the prophets of Baal which was greatly enjoyed. Jhelum came the farthest and brought 19 members. One group that had come too late to get the train was brought by Miss Adah Boggs when she found them on coming from work, so they came in time to give their part.

Literature Department

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The following paragraph appeared on this page in the October, 1938, issue. It is still pertinent:

COIN IN ENVELOPES—In the last few weeks we have received a number of orders with loose coins in the envelopes. Our postman took time the other day to explain to us why this ought not to be done. First, the coin may easily work out. Second, the coin makes itself evident and may be easily worked out. Not all are beyond temptation. Third, coins add weight and the Literature Department has to give Mr. Farley three cents for extra postage! Stamps are safer and always acceptable. An up-to-date addition: Recently orders have failed to reach us because they had coin enclosures.

FOR APRIL PROGRAMS

Christianizing the Home—W. E. McCullough, D.D., 10c. This may be obtained from The United Presbyterian Book Store, or the Literature Department.

The Church in Thy House—The Rev. R. C. Sherrard. This is a very helpful pamphlet published by our Board of Publication and distributed free of charge throughout the denomination—one for every family—about three years ago. If you still have your copy you are fortunate. If not, it is to be regretted for the original supply is exhausted.

Child Teaching Endorsed by Scripture, 2c.

The God in Your Home, 2c.

Twenty Reasons Why Children Should Be Interested in Missions, 1c.

WORTHWHILE THINGS

Heal The Sick—An illustrated pamphlet by Susannah Hutchison, wife of Dr. H. S. Hutchison of Tanta Hospital, Egypt. Much time and labor has been spent in collecting early data and arranging in delightfully readable form this history of our medical work in Egypt from its beginning up to the present time. Whether you have immediate use for it or not, you should have this pamphlet on your Mission Literature shelf where you can find it when you want it. Because the author has donated her manuscript and printer and engraver have set their price as low as is reasonably possible—all in the interest of the work—we are able to offer this item of permanent value for only 25c postpaid.

Tomorrow's Egypt — Miss Davida Finney. Our supply of paper bound at 50c is exhausted. We still have a good number of cloth bound at $1.00.

Map of Egypt — 16 x 46 — in color, tinned top and bottom for wall use. Every missionary society should own one of these maps. 70c postpaid.

Tales From Moslem Lands—Ten interesting and essentially true stories from Moslem lands everywhere. Paper 10c, Cloth 20c.

Prayer Cycle—The 25th year for this publication. It has a few changes that give it added value at the old price of 10c each, $1.00 per doz., $7.50 per 100.

Tributes

MRS. MILDRED HONESS

"We, the members of the King Hill Women's Missionary Society, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our secretary, Mrs. Mildred Honess, who was called to her reward October 25, 1939. Our church and society has lost a faithful, loyal worker.

To her families and many friends, we extend our sincere sympathy."

Committee:
Mrs. B. E. Ahalt,
Mrs. Frank C. Jones,
Mrs. Bertha Simpkins.

MRS. MARGARET BRAHAM

The Women's Missionary Society of the Ebenezer United Presbyterian Church desires to offer a tribute of love and appreciation to the memory of Mrs. Margaret Braham who passed to her reward on September 14, 1939.

Mrs. Braham was one of the oldest members of our Society, being a Charter member, and having been a life member for many years. At the time of her death she was our Thank Offering Secretary, having served in that capacity for a long time. In this work she took a great interest and to it devoted much of her time.

Mrs. Braham loved the House of God and every phase of its work and worship. The close communion in which she walked with her Lord was manifest by her long years of faithfulness and her constant and devout prayer life. Faithful until death, she has entered a higher service.

"A voice we loved to hear is still
Her place no one can ever fill.
Her life was rich in purity,
In love, in faith, simplicity.
Our Lord who watches birds and flowers
Watched o'er her through her suffering hours.
Her memory now has sweeter grown
By thoughts and deeds that she had sown."

We extend our deepest sympathy to the relatives and friends and commend them to the Saviour, whom she loved and served.

Lois Jamison
Mrs. Ruth Campbell
Lulu Belle White

MRS. CLARA GRIMES

Mrs. Clara Grimes, a member of the Claysville Women's Missionary Society, departed this life October 17, 1939.

Mrs. Grimes was always faithful in her attendance at the church services on the Sabbath Day.

She was a loyal teacher in the Sabbath School for many years. As a member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, she was always interested in promoting those things which count for the ennobling of life.

We rejoice that it was the privilege of this mother and her missionary daughter to be together the past year. It was in obedience to the mother's urgent request that Miss Alice started back to Egypt. She was three days out at sea when her mother was called to her Heavenly Home.

"Her children," four sons and three daughters, "rise up and call her blessed"
Not dead, Oh, no! but borne beyond the shadows into the full clear light;
Forever done with mist and cloud and tempest, where all is calm and bright."

She has entered into the joy of her Lord, at home with Christ to live forevermore.

Committee,
Mrs. H. H. Brownlee,
Mrs. H. L. Henderson.

MRS. ELIZABETH PEARCE
MRS. JAMES MIDDLEMIST

The Women's Missionary Society of the West Delhi United Presbyterian Church, of Delhi, N. Y., wishes to pay tribute to the memory of two of its faithful members, Mrs. Elizabeth Pearce, who passed away Aug. 2, 1939, and Mrs. James Middlemist, who passed away on July 20, 1939.

Mrs. Pearce was a loyal member of the congregation and a charter member of the Missionary Society. Her cheerfulness and courage through the years of being shut-in made her an inspiration to all who came in contact with her.

Mrs. Middlemist was a faithful member of our congregation and Missionary Society for several years. She was devoted in all her services, laboring earnestly and gladly in whatever way she was called upon to give her service.

In their deaths the Missionary Society has lost ones who were always a source of strength and help, wise and faithful counselors, kind and loving friends, ones whose lives were an inspiration and guide.

Committee,
Mrs. Hazel Davidson,
Mrs. Lena Clark.

MRS. A. PAUL DEAN

The Young Women's Missionary Society of the Unity United Presbyterian Church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. A. Paul Dean. The words of our minister, Dr. John L. McGeoch, best express our esteem: "Deeply do we mourn her going—Neighbor, Friend, Comrade in Christian Work. More keenly as the days go by we feel our loss: her radiant smile, and cheerful laughter, her sweet songs in church and choir, community and home.

"And yet we rejoice that there is relief

for the suffering servants of God, rest for loved ones and reward for those who are faithful to the Christ who has said, 'I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also.'

"May the God of all comfort, who has comforted us in every affliction, comfort her loved ones in this sad hour."

Members of Y.W.M.S., Unity
United Presbyterian Church.

MRS. SARAH BEAUMONT

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church, of Providence, R. I., desires to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Sarah Beaumont, who departed this life in July, 1939.

She had served as president of our society and was leader of the prayer group up to the time of her last illness.

She loved the Sabbath, and the House of God, and was ever willing and ready to serve Her Master joyfully.

Her work on earth was well done, and we can now think of her as happy in the higher service of Her King.

To her husband, sons and daughter, we extend our sincere sympathy.

Mrs. I. M. Knipe,
Mrs. Howard D. McCalmont,
Mrs. Cecil W. Machon,

MRS. LETITIA STEELE

We, the members of the Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Hanover, Ill., wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of our oldest member, Mrs. Letitia Steele, who, in her 94th year, entered her eternal rest, Nov. 8, 1939.

She was a woman of broad intelligence, quiet and refined in manner. She was well versed in the Bible, having stored its truths in her mind in her youth. She loved God's house, and was a faithful attendant upon all its services as long as physically able. Although living a long distance from the church, she was seldom absent, even though it meant sacrifice of comfort in coming with team and buggy over rough roads much of the time.

She was interested in all departments of the work of the church, and kept well informed by much reading.

She was the mother of nine children—all living, and all interested in, and helping in the work of the Kingdom.

Committee.

MRS. H. G. KNECHT

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Coulterville, Illinois, pays this tribute of love, to the memory of Mrs. H. G. Knecht, our beloved President, who passed away September 7, 1939.

In her death we have lost a faithful worker. Her active interest in missions was evidenced by her prayer and gifts and service.

Mrs. Knecht served on the Executive Board of the Presbyterial for a number of years. She was a Life Member of the Women's General Missionary Society and was especially interested in the Prayer Groups.

Mrs. Knecht took delight in helping all of the work of the Church, the choir, and the Bible School in which she taught a class of "teen-age" girls. Hers was a life consecrated to God and to His service.

We shall miss her friendly greetings and the hospitality of her home. We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband and relatives and commend them to the Savior, whom she loved and served.

Committee.

MISS EMMA URE

The Women's Missionary Society of the First United Presbyterian church wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Miss Emma Ure.

"A beautiful ending to a beautiful life," was heard several times at her funeral service. She loved God's word, God's day and God's House and whenever able, was always found worshiping Him with His people.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the sister and companion of many years' and to others in the family.

Committee:

MRS. ETTA BLACK TRIMBLE

The Women's Missionary Society of the Sewickley United Presbyterian Church records with deep sorrow the sudden death on November 19, 1939, of Mrs. Etta Black Trimble, widow of Robert Trimble, who for forty-three years was an elder in this church.

Mrs. Trimble was a gentlewoman whose natural charm, gracious manner and generosity endeared her to a large circle of friends, and won for her the admiration and respect of all who knew her even casually.

A member of the Missionary Society for many years, she was always willing to do her part; and because of her hospitable, artistic nature we always turned to her on social occasions and she never failed us.

An expert autoist, Mrs. Trimble's car brought to the various meetings many who might otherwise not have been able to attend. She represented the McAll Mission in our church, performing that service for her Master in the same cheerful, friendly way.

Our church, our society, and the entire community have suffered a distinct loss in the passing of this Christian woman, yet all have been enriched spiritually because "she tarried with us for awhile."

Committee.

PRESENT ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT

(c-o American Mission should be added to each foreign address)

INDIA

Miss Ruth I. Ardrey, 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Helen Artman, 1920—Sialkot City
Miss Kathryn Beattie, 1929—Martinpur
Miss Minnie Beatty, 1918—Abbottabad
Miss R. Jean Black, 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Adah P. Boggs, R.N., 1933—Taxila
Miss Lois Boyd, 1918—Sialkot City
Miss N. Addaline Brandon, 1931—Sargodha
Miss Frances E. Brown, 1927, 1937—Lyallpur
Miss Theresa I. Brownlee, 1922—Sialkot City
Miss Lois Buchanan, 1910—Pathankot
Miss Marie Cash, R.N., 1926—Pasrur
Miss Margaret Fehlman, 1918—Zafarwal
Miss Betsy Fleming, 1918—Sargodha
Miss Eva M. Hewitt, 1930—Campbellpur
Miss Alice G. Hill, 1933—Lyallpur
Miss Kate A. Hill, 1896—Sialkot City
Miss Janette Howland, 1921—Campbellpur
Miss Reba C. Hunsberger, M.D., 1921—Sialkot City
Miss Flora Jameson, 1903—Sangla Hill
Miss Mary Kyle, 1904—Pasrur
Miss Olive Laing, 1912—Rawalpindi
Miss Sarah Jane Lamont, 1928—Pathankot
Miss Mary Frances Lincoln, R.N., 1920—Sargodha
Miss Glendine Lundquist, R.N., 1932—Sialkot City
Miss Laura R. MacLachlan, 1933—Badomali
Miss Elizabeth F. McConnell, R.N., 1931—Jhelum
Miss Lillian A. McConnell, 1902—Jhelum
Miss E. Marjorie McCrory, 1936—Gujranwala
Miss Evelyn M. McKelvey, R.N., 1933—Sialkot City
Miss Margaret Murdoch, 1924—Sheikhupura
Miss Marian T. Peterson, 1930—Rawalpindi
Miss Willa M. Ramsey, 1921—Pathankot
Miss Grace N. Ranson, 1936—Sangla Hill
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924—Sangla Hill
Miss Louise Scott, 1916—Gujranwala
Miss Helen C. Sharp, M.D., 1932—Jhelum
Miss Kate E. Spencer, 1918—Sargodha
Miss Vivian Trimble, 1921—Pathankot
Miss Ruth A. Warnock, 1918, 1936—Sargodha
Miss Helen V. Weede, 1922—Zafarwal
Miss Georgia Wengert, 1920—Gurdaspur
Miss Dora B. Whitely, 1911—Pasrur

HONORARY RETIRED MISSIONARIES

Miss Mary J. Campbell, 1884—1427 Woodward Ave., Orlando, Florida

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Hazel Bennett—1683 Potomac Ave., S. H., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miss Evelyn Cathcart, 1925—Marissa, Ill.
†Miss Vida J. Graham, 1922—5 S. Portland Ave., Ventnor, N. J.
Miss Evva P. Hartig, 1924—Frostburg, Md.

RETIRED

Miss Emma Dean Anderson, 1881—231 Franklin St., Slippery Rock, Pa.
Miss Laurella G. Dickson, 1897—Tarkio, Mo.
Miss Ella M. Gordon, 1893—Pattersonville, N. Y.
Miss Mary Lawrence, 1893, c/o Mrs. R. E. Ayers, New Concord, Ohio
Miss Mary E. Logan, 1891—Rushville, Ind.
Miss Rosa McCullough, 1879—Greenwood, Mo.

EGYPT

Miss Hazel E. Anderson, 1937—Luxor
Miss Margaret A. Bell, 1901—Faiyum
Miss Helen R. Brownlee, R.N., 1934—Assiut
Mrs. Mary K. Coventry, 1918—Benha
Miss Anna B. Criswell, 1905—Assiut
Miss Mary F. Dawson, 1922—Cairo
Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap, 1926—Faiyum
Miss Lucia Dwight, 1919—Beni Suef
Miss Davida Finney, 1915—Assiut
Miss Elsie French, 1909—Cairo
Miss Martha C. Glass, 1922—Assiut
Miss Eulalia D. Grether, 1929—Tanta
Miss Alice Grimes, 1924—Cairo
Miss A. Constance Harper, 1937—Alexandria
•Miss Rena L. Hogg, 1899—Assiut
Miss Lois D. Kingan, 1926—Benha
Miss Lucy Lightowler, 1921—Cairo
Miss Helen J. Martin, 1915—Cairo
Miss E. Roxy Martin, 1901—Cairo
Miss Dora B. Mason, 1918—Assiut
Miss Evelyn McFarland, 1919—Cairo
Miss E. McKibben, R.N., 1924—Tanta
Miss Mabel McMichael, 1927—Tanta
Miss Carol E. McMillan, 1906—Beni Suef
Miss Sarah B. Meloy, 1923—Cairo
Miss Marion A. Paden, 1902—Tanta
Miss Venna R. Patterson, 1924—Minia
Miss Frances Patton, 1922—Mansura
Miss Stella Robertson, 1922—Cairo
Miss Martha A. Roy, 1933—Cairo
Miss Edna B. Sherriff, 1920—Alexandria
Miss Nellie C. Smith, 1911—Cairo
Miss Mary M. Stevenson, 1939—Cairo
Miss Mary C. Thompson, 1939—Cairo
Miss Mary L. Thompson, 1917—Assiut
Miss Helen M. Walker, 1930—Assiut
Miss Laura B. Walker, 1904—Mansura
Miss Ethel L. Weed, 1919—Alexandria
Miss Ida B. Whiteside, 1918—Luxor
Miss Esther W. Wilson, 1919—Luxor
Mrs. Margaret J. Work, 1939—Cairo
Miss Ruth A. Work, 1904—Assiut
Miss Laura Wright, 1921—Tanta

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

•Miss Ella M. Barnes, 1911—926 E. 1st St., Monmouth, Ill.
Miss Leota Cabeen, 1909—1819—5th Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.
•Miss Minnehaha Finney, 1894—121 N. 7th St., Sterling, Kan.
Miss Alta G. French, 1925—Goldfield, Iowa
Miss Alfretta M. Hammond, 1904—State Hospital, Warren, Pa.
Miss Lillian McClelland, 1928—445 S. Lake St., Los Angeles, Cal.
Miss Jeannette McCrory, 1916—Sterling, Kansas
Miss Helen J. Noordewier, 1921—1104 Sigsbee St., S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Mrs. Rachel Tracy Selver, 1925—7961 Blackburn Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.
Miss Jane C. Smith, R.N., 1922—528 Vermont Ave., Pittsburgh (16) Pa.
Miss Marie F. Tait, 1925—R. D. 5, Mercer, Pa.
†Miss Elizabeth S. White, 1924—2411 Osgood St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.
†Miss Ruth M. Williamson, 1924—31 West 3rd St., Greensburg, Pa.
Miss Elizabeth M. Wilson, 1932—Lewis, Ia.
Miss Margaret A. Work, 1924—Spokane, Wash.

THE SUDAN

Miss Mary E. Cole, 1919—Khartum North
Miss Una Cole, 1918—Khartum North
Miss Mary V. Ewing, R.N., 1939—Khartum
Miss Elsie E. Grove, 1912—Doleib Hill
Miss Ray Huffman, R.N., 1924—Nasir
Miss Marguerite McClellan, 1926—Khartum North
Miss Aulora R. McIntyre, 1911—Wad Medani
Miss Mary Jane McKnight, 1922—Khartum
Miss E. Verna Pillow, 1930—Omdurman
Miss Ellen P. Smith, 1933—Omdurman
Miss C. Blanche Soule—Nasir
Miss Frances Turk, R.N.—Khartum North

Attention is again called to the fact that Miss Ellen P. Smith, 1933 is to be in School of Oriental Studies, Cairo, Egypt for some months.

NOW IN THIS COUNTRY

Miss Isabel Blair, 1922—McKenzie Hall—110 Sherman St., Hartford, Conn.

Report of the Contributions to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America from October 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign Missions	Foreign Salaries	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Negro Missions	Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Benevolence	Contingent Fund	Women's Ass'n. Work: Orphans' Home	Women's Ass'n. Work: Home for Aged People	Women's Ass'n. Work: Columbia Hospital	Isaiah	Temperance	Legacies	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	67.80							3.00										70.80
Allegheny	421.00	1160.00	313.00	159.00	317.00	38.00	1.00	40.00	53.00					12.00	20.00			2534.00
Argyle		200.50	250.00					16.00										467.00
Arkansas Valley	4.00	520.00	3.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	.40					2.00			541.40
Beaver Valley	60.00		109.00	15.00	34.00	2.00		8.00	5.00	18.00				18.00	11.00			280.00
Big Spring	20.00		42.00	11.00	11.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00		3.00	6.00			117.00
Boston	50.00	200.00																250.00
Butler	275.00	405.00	128.00	51.00	93.00	50.00			50.00		16.00		1.00		19.00			1088.00
Caledonia	52.00	294.00	57.00	13.00	40.00	3.00				2.00				1.00				462.00
Cedar Rapids	16.00	240.00	17.00	11.00	9.00													293.00
Chartiers	93.00	658.00	279.00	27.00	50.00	14.00	21.00	157.00	21.00	20.85	1.00	1.00	1.00	27.50	16.00			1387.35
Chicago	104.75	392.00	46.00	44.00	37.00	11.00	12.00	22.00	12.00	2.80			8.00	10.00	10.00			711.55
Cleveland	214.00	360.00	180.00	73.00	67.00	54.00		78.00	66.00		5.00			18.50	52.00			1167.50
College Springs	127.00	567.00	8.00	5.00	7.00	6.00	15.00	14.00	3.00	11.05	3.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	5.00			778.05
Colorado	37.00	225.00	188.00	17.00	17.00	4.00			4.00	2.00				10.00	5.00			509.00
Concordia	13.00		8.00	5.00	6.00	1.00			2.00						1.00			36.00
Conemaugh	8.00	295.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	6.00	12.00	8.00	7.00	8.70				5.00	11.00			397.70
Delaware	10.00	299.00																309.00
Des Moines	6.00	316.75	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		15.00	1.00					12.00	1.00			356.75
Detroit	102.00	30.00	112.00	28.00	40.00	10.00	7.00	16.00	2.00					4.00	11.00			362.00
Hudson	46.00	178.00	21.00	10.00	13.00	2.00	8.00			2.00			3.00	1.00	7.00			291.00
Idaho	18.00	20.00	17.00	4.00	7.00	4.00	2.00		3.00	3.00	1.00			3.70	4.00			86.70
Illinois Southern	11.00	186.00	15.00	16.00	18.00	12.00		30.00	12.00					4.00	4.00			308.00
Indiana	19.00	46.00	11.00	5.00	14.00	3.00			3.00	3.20	8.00	1.00	1.00	1.50	4.00			119.70
Kansas City	12.00	303.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00		2.00					2.00				339.00
Keokuk	2.00	162.00	23.00	7.00	6.00	1.00			1.00						1.00			203.00
Kiskiminetas																		
Lake	85.00																	85.00
Los Angeles	126.00	400.00	117.00	75.00	76.00	33.00	6.00		34.00	7.25				6.00	11.00			891.25
Mansfield	56.00	133.00	57.00	21.00	19.00	12.00	1.00	3.00	13.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	4.00	10.00			334.00
Mercer	90.00	126.75												3.00				219.75
Monmouth	9.00	320.00	29.00	21.00	25.00	2.00			5.00		1.00			2.55	7.00			421.55
Monongahela	350.00	3150.00	750.00	60.00	400.00													4710.00
Muskingum	16.15	633.00	36.15	40.00	17.00	10.00	4.00	11.00	10.00	13.43				9.00	15.00			814.73
Nebraska	19.00	244.00	19.00	17.00	16.00	16.00			9.00	1.00				2.00	5.00			348.00
New York																		
Ohio First	22.00	408.00	22.00	9.00	21.00	7.00	3.00	20.00	7.00	3.50		1.00		9.50	7.00			540.00
Ohio Northwestern	75.00	51.00	22.00	11.00	18.00	2.00	4.00	12.00	3.00					1.00	2.00			201.00
Oklahoma	80.00	45.00	25.00					14.00										164.00
Oregon	17.00	372.00	9.00	7.00	6.00	5.00		1.00	5.00	6.00				5.00	7.00			440.00
Philadelphia	205.00	531.00	410.00	80.00	120.00	42.00		59.00	136.00	36.00				28.00	15.00			1662.00
Puget Sound	61.00	66.00	32.00	15.00	15.00	4.00			7.00					4.00	7.00			211.00
Rock Island	14.00	85.00	34.00	6.00	6.00	4.00		12.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	4.00			174.00
San Francisco	37.00	422.00	38.00	20.00	21.00	11.00		20.00	11.00					5.00	10.00			
[illegible]	28.00	49.00	20.00	13.00	16.00	2.00			2.00	5.25				4.65	6.00			
[illegible]																		
[illegible]	8.00	19.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			1.00	1.00								
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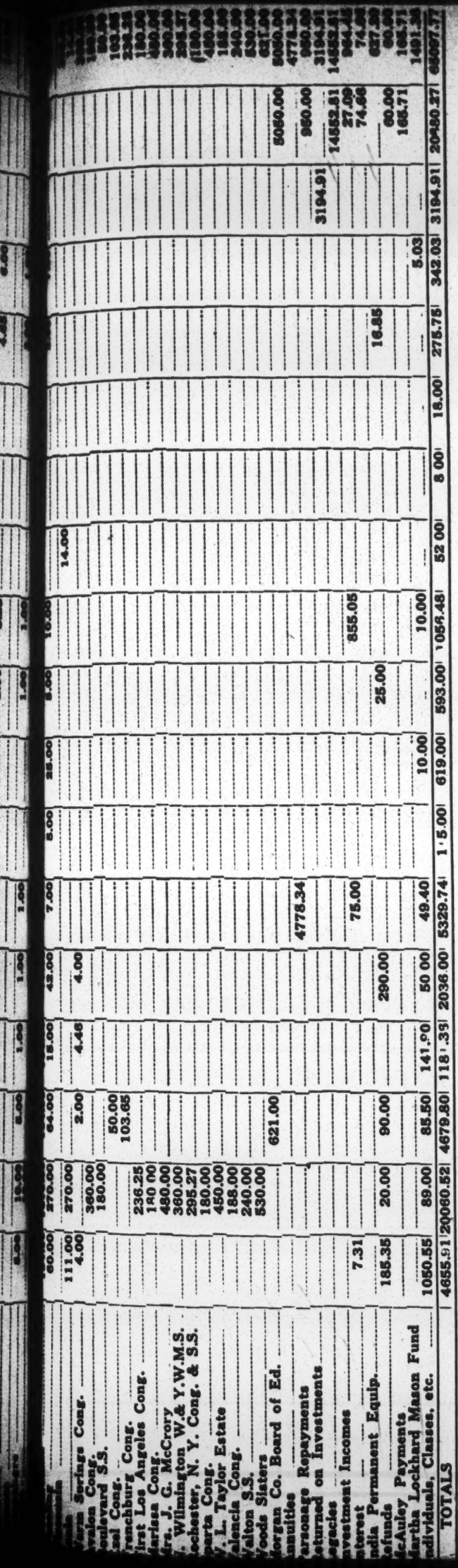

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

October 1, 1939 to January 31, 1940

A friend	$ 80.00
First Toledo Bible School	5.00
La Crosse Women's Missionary Society	49.40
Conneaut Sabbath School	10.50
Gibson Heights Congrégation	31.41
Garner Sabbath School	10.50
Mr. J. O. Springer	20.00
Sixth Congregation, Pittsburgh	263.00
Literature Department, sale of Along Indian Trails, etc.	119.99
Jesus' Friend	33.50
Christine Hutton Missionary Society	10.00
Margaret Cummins	15.00
Connellsville Sabbath School	30.00
Friends	225.00
Mrs. F. A. Martin	25.00
Phi Delta Bible Class	25.00
Women's Friendly Bible Class	9.00
Dr. and Mrs. C. Lee Wilmoth	100.00
Primary Department, First Church, N. S.	5.00
Deputational Work	54.08
Gleaners Class	30.00
Mrs. Margaret D. N. Pollock	120.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dinsmore	30.00
Mrs. J. W. Young	180.00
Total	$1,481.38

PARSONAGE REPAYMENTS

September 20 to December 28, 1938

Allenside, Akron, O.	$ 50.00
Arkansas City, Kans.	55.50
Auburn Heights, Mich.	75.00
Beechview, Pittsburgh	80.00
Beverly Heights, Pittsburgh	154.67
Beverly Vista, Los Angeles	50.00
Brown Avenue, Erie, Pa.	79.48
Brownlee Woods, Youngstown, O.	50.00
Bolivar, Pa.	62.00
Boston, Pa.	127.00
Central Falls, R. I.	31.39
Culver City, Los Angeles	45.00
Everett, Wash.	118.50
Fairmont Park, Canton, O.	30.35
First Akron, O.	75.00
First Crafton Heights, Pittsburgh	154.67
First Toledo	23.20
Gibson Heights, Youngstown, O.	50.00
Harmarville, Pa.	150.00
Hasson Heights, Oil City, Pa.	62.78
Ingram, Pa.	74.00
Johnstown, Pa.	31.39
Kenmore, N. Y.	150.00
La Crosse, Kansas, Donation	49.40
Leetsdale, Pa.	50.00
Linesville, Pa.	65.94
Mayfair, Philadelphia, Pa.	62.78
Montrose, Colo.	50.00
Multnomah, Oregon	126.40
Newton, Kansas	60.00
Niagara, N. Y.	60.00
North Baltimore, Md.	45.00
Pleasant Grove, Youngstown, O.	185.00
Reedurban, Canton, O.	30.00
Rushville, Ind.	27.80
Reed Memorial, Lyndhurst, N. J.	96.67
San Jose, Calif., Final payment	1,276.00
Sayo, Ethiopia, Final payment	388.58
Scottdale, Pa. (Rent)	15.00
Second San Francisco	77.34
Superior, Nebr.	159.00
Warren, Ohio	116.00
West 44th Street, New York City, Interest	60.00
Wilmington, Del.	37.38
Woodruff Avenue, Indianapolis	34.52
Woodville, Pa.	50.00
Total	$4,902.74

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MISSIONARIES UNDER THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(c-o American Mission should be added to each foreign address)

EGYPT

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Into the house of the Lord I went,
Confused by earth's sin and woes;
But, as I sat in that sacred place,
Came a sense of sweet repose;
For God's Word that I heard, like the warming sun,
Cleared the fog of confusion away; and none
Of sin's hurt in my heart remained—all undone
By the One from whom mercy flows.

Out from the house of the Lord I came,
Becalmed by Heaven's voice;
And, soothed by those words of love and life,
My soul was made to rejoice;
But the struggle for wealth and fame took its toll,
And fear like a thief my courage stole,
And the strain of following sin seared my soul:
So I faltered and failed in my choice.

I needs must return to the house of God
Often in days to come,
For strength is found in those sacred courts
That trials may be overcome.

(*Mrs. C. W.*) *Elsie Wehling Fulton,*
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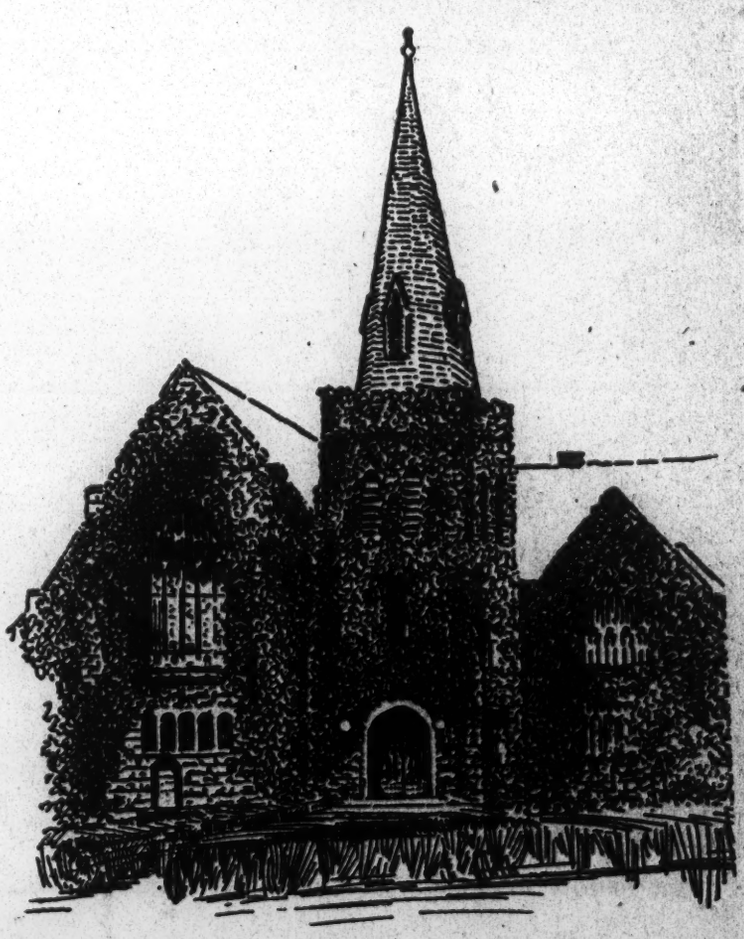
A LITTLE TIME APART



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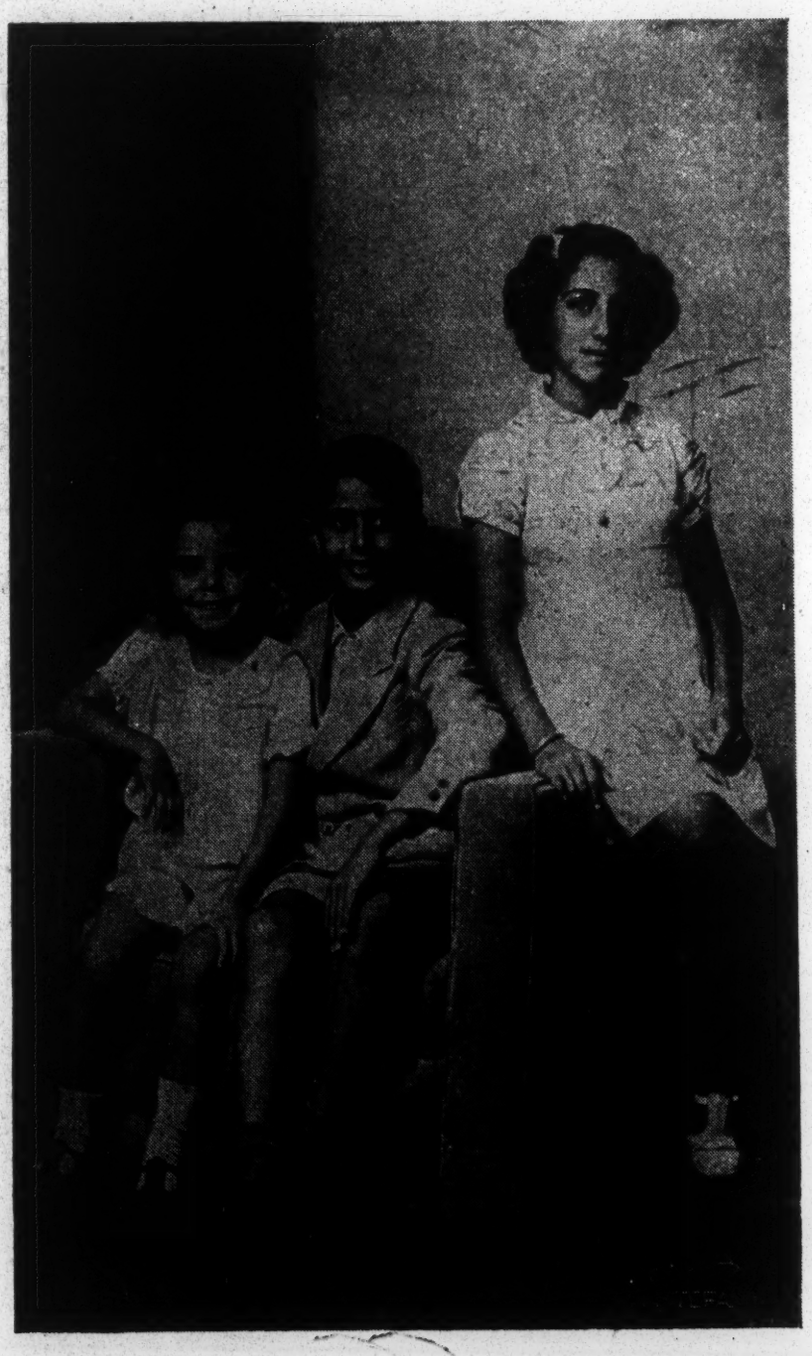

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